



*Lutheran Church*

*Sequin, Texas*

**Sunday, September 26, 2021**

***Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost***

*Serving us in worship today: Pastors: David Mayer, Rusty Bailey; Andrew Cave  
Lay Reader: Doris Engelhardt; Music: Annette Stout, Ushers: Kerry Koehler, Andrew  
Koenig, John Kuempel, and Matt Sherwood; Children's Church: Kim Kautzsch;  
AV: Diane Gwyther and Andrew Kuehne*

### **Welcome to Worship!**

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church, a people who love and follow Jesus Christ, our Lord! We are blessed and honored that you chose to be with us today!

*As we worship today, we encourage you to fellowship with other believers in a manner in which you are comfortable. Please be respectful to one another concerning face coverings and social distancing. Feel welcome to join in fellowship on the patio for refreshments following worship.*

**PRELUDE: HANDBELL CHOIR "Shout To the Lord"**

**WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND OPENING PRAYER**

### **Visitor / Prayer Cards**

We invite guests to fill out a visitor card found in the back of the pew in front of you. The back of the visitor card also has a place for prayer requests for anyone needing special prayer. Please place cards in the box located on the Welcome Table in the Narthex. First time visitors, be sure to pick up a red welcome bag in the narthex.

*Please Stand*

**OPENING HYMN: "Shine, Jesus, Shine" WOV 651**

*Refrain:*

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 love 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: *Refrain*

2) 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: *Refrain*

## **BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:**

*The sign of the cross may be made in remembrance of your Baptism.*

**P:** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

**P:** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** Amen.

**P:** *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1: 8-9, ESV)*

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

**P:** Most Merciful God,

**C:** We confess that 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. 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.

**P:** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all of 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. **C:** Amen.

## **HYMN OF PRAISE: "Lord God, heavenly king..."** pg. 80 LBW

**P:** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

♪ Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:  
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
In the glory of God the Father. Amen 🎵

*Please be seated.*

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** HANDBELL CHOIR *“Jesus Paid it All”*

**FIRST READING: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29** (ESV)

<sup>4</sup>Now the rabble that was among them had a strong craving. And the people of Israel also wept again and said, “Oh that we had meat to eat! <sup>5</sup>We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. <sup>6</sup>But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.”

<sup>10</sup>Moses heard the people weeping throughout their clans, everyone at the door of his tent. And the anger of the LORD blazed hotly, and Moses was displeased. <sup>11</sup>Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you dealt ill with your servant? And why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? <sup>12</sup>Did I conceive all this people? Did I give them birth, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a nursing child,’ to the land that you swore to give their fathers? <sup>13</sup>Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they weep before me and say, ‘Give us meat, that we may eat.’ <sup>14</sup>I am not able to carry all this people alone; the burden is too heavy for me. <sup>15</sup>If you will treat me like this, kill me at once, if I find favor in your sight, that I may not see my wretchedness.”

<sup>16</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them, and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you.

<sup>24</sup>So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. <sup>25</sup>Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

<sup>26</sup>Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the

camp.”<sup>28</sup> And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, “My lord Moses, stop them.”<sup>29</sup> But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!”

**PSALM: Psalm 104:27-35** *(To be read responsively)* *(ESV)*

<sup>27</sup> These all look to you,  
to give them their food in due season.

<sup>28</sup> When you give it to them, they gather it up;  
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

<sup>29</sup> When you hide your face, they are dismayed;  
when you take away their breath, they die  
and return to their dust.

<sup>30</sup> When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,  
and you renew the face of the ground.

<sup>31</sup> May the glory of the LORD endure forever;  
may the LORD rejoice in his works,

<sup>32</sup> who looks on the earth and it trembles,  
who touches the mountains and they smoke!

<sup>33</sup> I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;  
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

<sup>34</sup> May my meditation be pleasing to him,  
for I rejoice in the LORD.

<sup>35</sup> Let sinners be consumed from the earth,  
and let the wicked be no more!

Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Praise the LORD!

**SECOND READING: James 5:13-20** *(ESV)*

<sup>13</sup> Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. <sup>14</sup> Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup> Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. <sup>17</sup> Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup> Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

<sup>19</sup> My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, <sup>20</sup> let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

*Please stand for the Holy Gospel.*

**HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-50 (ESV)**

<sup>38</sup> John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." <sup>39</sup> But Jesus said, "Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. <sup>40</sup> For the one who is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup> For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward.

<sup>42</sup> "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup> And if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>45</sup> And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup> And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup> 'where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.' <sup>49</sup> For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup> Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

A: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God

*You may be seated.*

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** Joyful Noise

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

**SERMON:** "Stay Salty My Friends"

Andrew Cave

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love"

*Refrain:*

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve  
the neighbors we have from you.

1) Kneels at the feet of his friends,  
silently washes their feet,  
master who pours out himself for them. *Refrain*

2) Neighbors are wealthy and poor,  
varied in color and race,  
neighbors are nearby and far away. *Refrain*

3) These are the ones we will serve,  
these are the ones we will love;  
all these are neighbors to us and you. *Refrain*

4) Kneel at the feet of our friends,  
silently washing their feet:  
this is the way we will live with you. *Refrain*

## OFFERING

**P:** Blessed be the Lord our God of all faithfulness. By your grace we receive all that we need, and in this abundance may we faithfully share with all in good stewardship, this that you have first given us. Receive this offering to the glory of your Holiness and the work of Jesus Christ in the world. Amen.

*Please Stand.*

**OFFERTORY:** *"Create in Me a Clean Heart..."* pg. 96 LBW

**C:**         ♪    Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, And uphold me with your free Spirit.   ♪

**P:**    Let us pray. Most merciful God,

**C:**    We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

*Please be seated.*

## WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members into the Family of Faith this morning and pray that God will bless them as we work together in our Lord's Kingdom!

Baker Family – Brian and Carol

Bettis Family –Brad and Maria

Peterson – Dawn Peterson

Burris – Mike Burris

Alfred Family – Matthew, Kristie and their children Emma and Greysen

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH with THE LORD'S PRAYER

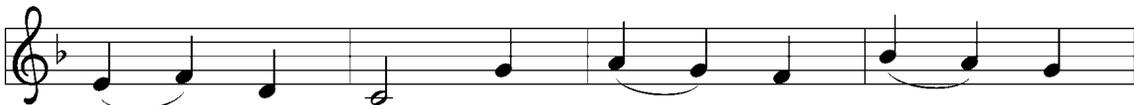
*Please stand.*

**CLOSING HYMN:** "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve" WOVS 723

### The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in  
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the  
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter  
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings  
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to  
joy like seed and, all our days, to  
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.  
share a dream and help the blind to see.  
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.  
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

## BENEDICTION and DISMISSAL

A: Go In Peace To Love And Serve The Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

## "WORDS OF FAITH" BROADCAST SUNDAYS AT 8 AM ON KWED 1580 AM RADIO

Has been sponsored this morning to the glory of God by Faith Lutheran Church.

## FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Have been given to the glory of God by Kirby and Pam Fransen in thankfulness of their many blessings and in celebration of Matthew's birthday on the 28<sup>th</sup> and Scott's birthday on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS:

Attendance on September 19: 108; Month to Date (September): **\$70,642.00**. YTD Offerings and Misc. **\$356,496.41** (2021 budgeted offerings is **\$470,000**)

## PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Julie Sagebiel	Judy Saunders	Nora Lavelett
Carolyn Sagebiel	Walt Fruehling	Ronnie Glenewinkel
Kelton Lange	Gladys Fruehling	Dot Day
Sandy Wille	Coreen Dube	Laurie (Bogisch) Perryman
Teresa Kiel	Donald Jackson	Harold Bogisch
Carolyn Westerholm	Fred Blumberg	Ronnie Foreman
Leia Hill		

## ONLINE GIVING

Faith has teamed up with a service to give you the ability to send your offering online in the same way that many of you already pay bills and purchase products. We offer this service as a convenience to you - you can stop writing checks or having to remember to bring cash every Sunday. Simply log in to our service and set up your offering. We have had this in place for some time now. A link is available right on our website: <https://faithseguin.org/online-giving/> Or you may click here [https://members.myeoffering.com/#/landing?church\\_id=5083](https://members.myeoffering.com/#/landing?church_id=5083) to go directly to myEoffering site to sign up. Even better – scan this QR code with your camera!



## POLKA SERVICE

It's October, and that means it's time for our POLKA SERVICE! Join us **Sunday, October 10**



as we welcome the *Pivo and Polka Band* and sing traditional hymns to well-known German polka tunes! Our Youth will be serving a **German Sausage lunch following worship!** Tickets are available for \$10 each from Andrew or in the church office. Mark your calendars for Worship, German Music and Sausage!

## NURSERY HELP NEEDED

Faith is in need of help to staff the nursery during worship and Sunday school hours. **PLEASE** contact the church office if you are interested in this **PAID** position. We have several young families that could benefit from this!

## PRESCHOOL THANK YOU

A big "Thank You" to everyone who donated to the FLP teachers' wish lists. We appreciate all of the goodies from glue sticks to cotton balls, paper clips to playground balls, and

googly-eyes to dinosaur books. Every single item brought happiness to our staff and will be used throughout the school year. Your support is a blessing to us.

### **FIRST COMMUNION**

First communion classes will begin on Sunday, October 3, during the Sunday School hour. First Communion classes are for those students in 5<sup>th</sup> grade or any older students who have not received communion training. Younger students may attend at parent's discretion. Please see Pastor Bailey for more information. First communion will be celebrated on Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **FAITH CALL COMMITTEE**

The following congregational members are serving on the Pastoral Call Committee: Dianne Chambers; Matt Sherwood; Chase White; Brandon Westerholm; Brenda Bloch; Fran Braun; Diane Terp; Laline Jensen; Carly Goetz. Please keep them in your prayers as they discern a long term pastor for Faith Lutheran Church.

### **REMINDER FROM CALL COMMITTEE**

If you have not already done so, please return your completed surveys. If you have not received a survey please see Brenda Bloch or Dianne Chambers. We appreciate your help/input in our pastor selection process. Thank you, *Your Call Committee*

### **REQUEST FROM JACOB AND CAROL LEE**

Faith was blessed with a visit from a courageous couple, Jacob and Carol Lee. The Lees are missionaries with Reaching Africa's Unreached and are currently living in Uganda. They need some items to take back with them and this is where our Church can help.

1. Proclaimers: Languages-1. Madi 2. Aringa 3. Sudanese Arabic *{These come via "Faith Comes By Hearing" - If you would like to provide one or more of these audio New Testaments, see Pat Bodine, Dianne Chambers, or Joanne Shanafelt.}*
2. Reading glasses power 1.25 and 2
3. Ibuprofen
4. Duct Tape
5. WD40
6. AAA and AA Batteries
7. Sharpies/Dry erase markers
8. Sweet corn seeds
9. Cherry tomato seeds
10. Broccoli/ Cauliflower/ yellow and zucchini squash seeds.

From Pastor Bailey-

*First aid supplies such as Band-Aids, antiseptic ointments, gauze, tape, tooth paste and brushes, would be good as well. Also, finger nail polish for the ladies and neck ties for the men were always appreciated gifts.*

Any money given will be used for scholarships or water wells (one water well costs \$8000.00). So please be generous. The Lee's will be returning to Uganda soon. Thanks for your help. *Mission Outreach Team*

### **COMMUNION UPDATE**

We will be re-evaluating the return to receiving communion wine and individual wafers from the trays, served by our pastors and altar aides at the communion rail at the end of

October. When we make the change, those who wish to continue the use of disposable kits instead may also come forward and receive a kit from an altar aide. Those who are unable to come to the altar may remain in your pew and communion will be brought to you. The Altar Guild and Worship committee are in need of more volunteers to assist with communion during worship. Please contact Susan Foerster at 830-305-2035 if you are able help.

### **GVCCC FUNDRAISER**

The Guadalupe County Christian Counseling Center will be holding a BBQ Chicken fundraiser on **Sunday, October 17** here at Faith. **Cost of ½ chicken will be \$8** in advance and \$10 at the event. This will be a Drive-Through only, no indoor seating. The center appreciates your support and tickets are available through Janet Wolber, BJ Chambers or in the church office.

### **CHRISTIAN CUPBOARD**

Thank you to those of you who have been dropping off items for the Christian Cupboard. The September item is **peanut butter and jelly**, any variety or brand. Total number of items collected as of September 21, 2021 is 66. Keep up the great work!

## **THIS WEEK AT FAITH**

Monday, Sept. 27	Prayer Group	10:15 AM
Monday, Sept. 27	Via De Cristo Ultreya	6:30 PM (AC)
Tuesday, Sept. 28	Men's Bible Study	7:30 AM (AC)
Tuesday, Sept.28	Staff Mtg.	9:00 AM
Tuesday, Sept. 28	Game Night @ Seguin Assisted Living	6:30 PM
Wednesday, Sept. 29	Quilting Group	9:00 AM (AC)
Wednesday, Sept. 29	FLY	5:30-8:00 PM
Wednesday, Sept. 29	Joyful Noise	6:00 PM (choir rm)
Wednesday, Sept.29	Hand Bell Choir	6:15 PM (Sanc)
Wednesday, Sept. 29	Chancel Singers	7:00 PM (choir rm.)

### **FAITH DIRECTORY**

Faith is in the process of preparing an **online/printable** church membership directory. *This includes not only our members, but families and individuals who have been active and participating in services and events with us.* We are asking members to submit a photograph of yourself or your family that you would like to appear next to your name and information in the directory.

Simply follow the link below to easily upload your own photo to insert into the church directory. On your phone? Snap a quick "selfie" now and upload.

<https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/9b6a99b2-0293-454e-a083-ae8822f90ad6/family/new>

If for some reason the link does not work for you, you can email your picture to [communications@faithseguin.org](mailto:communications@faithseguin.org) or drop one off in the church office. Look for more information concerning this new directory in the weeks to come.

# VIEW OUR CHURCH DIRECTORY ON YOUR MOBILE DEVICE!

FREE App for iPhone, iPad  
& Android



Our church directory is a great resource tool that allows you to get to know our church family better!

Simply go to the App Store, search for *Instant Church Directory*  and download the FREE app to begin.

You will use your email address listed in the directory to CREATE A LOGIN the first time you use the directory app.

If you're not listed in the directory, OR if you have trouble logging into the app, please contact the church office.

