



**Sunday, May 1, 2022**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

*Serving us in worship today: Pastor: David Mayer;*

*Lay Reader: Gail Herbold; Music: Annette Stout, Roxanne Heckmann, Brad Bettis, LeAnne White; Children's Church: Kim Kautzsch; Ushers: Bill Ermel, Matt Alfred, Cody Goetz, Clem Howe; AV: Andrew Kuehne, Matthew Fransen*

### **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! Our guests are encouraged to sign the guestbook located at the Welcome Table in the entry hall. We ask all to please complete the attendance sheet in the black folder and then pass it down the pew.

*As we worship today, we encourage you to fellowship with other believers in a manner in which you are comfortable. Children will come forward for a special blessing before meeting for Children's Church. (Ages Pre-K through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade)*

### **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.

### **WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND OPENING PRAYER**

*Please Stand*

**OPENING HYMN:** *"Alleluia! Jesus is Risen"* WOVS 674

1) Alleluia! Jesus is risen!

Trumpets resounding in glorious light!

Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever!

Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

*Refrain*

Jesus is risen and we shall arise.

Give God the glory! Alleluia!

2) Walking the way, Christ in the center

telling the story to open our eyes;

breaking our bread, giving us glory:

Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. *Refrain*

3) Jesus the vine, we are the branches;  
life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;  
heaven to earth, Christ to the people,  
gift of the future now flowing to me. *Refrain*

4) Weeping, be gone; sorrow, be silent:  
death put asunder, and Easter is bright.  
Cherubim sing: O grave, be open!  
Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. *Refrain*

5) City of God, Easter forever,  
golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,  
river of life, saints and archangels,  
sing with creation to God the I AM! *Refrain*

*Please be seated.*

## **SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM – Hayes Roland Herbold**

*Please see page 121 in the green Lutheran Book of Worship.*

### **APOSTLE'S CREED**

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All: 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All: 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.

### **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:** *"All Creatures of Our God and King"* LBW 527 Verse 7

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

♪ Let all things their Creator bless, ♪  
And worship God in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!

Oh, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One.

*Refrain*

Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*You may be seated.*

**FIRST READING:** Acts 9:1-22 (ESV)

But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest<sup>2</sup> and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.<sup>3</sup> Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him.<sup>4</sup> And falling to the ground, he

heard a voice saying to him, **"Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?"** <sup>5</sup>And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, **"I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting."** <sup>6</sup>**But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."** <sup>7</sup>The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. <sup>8</sup>Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. <sup>9</sup>And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

<sup>10</sup>Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, **"Ananias."** And he said, "Here I am, Lord." <sup>11</sup>And the Lord said to him, **"Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, <sup>12</sup>and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight."** <sup>13</sup>But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord said to him, **"Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. <sup>16</sup>For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."** <sup>17</sup>So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." <sup>18</sup>And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; <sup>19</sup>and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. <sup>20</sup>And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." <sup>21</sup>And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" <sup>22</sup>But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

### **Psalm 30**                      *(To be read responsively)*      *(ESV)*

I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up  
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

<sup>2</sup>O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,  
and you have healed me.

<sup>3</sup>O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;  
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

<sup>4</sup> Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,  
and give thanks to his holy name.

<sup>5</sup> For his anger is but for a moment,  
and his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night,  
but joy comes with the morning.

<sup>6</sup> As for me, I said in my prosperity,  
"I shall never be moved."

<sup>7</sup> By your favor, O LORD,  
you made my mountain stand strong;  
you hid your face;  
I was dismayed.

<sup>8</sup> To you, O LORD, I cry,  
and to the Lord I plead for mercy:

<sup>9</sup> "What profit is there in my death,  
if I go down to the pit?

Will the dust praise you?  
Will it tell of your faithfulness?

<sup>10</sup> Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!  
O LORD, be my helper!"

<sup>11</sup> You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;  
you have loosed my sackcloth  
and clothed me with gladness,

<sup>12</sup> that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.  
O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

## **SECOND READING: Revelation 5: 8-14 (ESV)**

<sup>8</sup> And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. <sup>9</sup> And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll  
and to open its seals,

for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God  
from every tribe and language and people and nation,

<sup>10</sup> and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,  
and they shall reign on the earth."

<sup>11</sup> Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup> saying with a loud voice,

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,  
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might  
and honor and glory and blessing!”

<sup>13</sup>And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb  
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”

<sup>14</sup>And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshiped.

*Please stand for the Holy Gospel.*

### **GOSPEL: John 21:1-14 (ESV)**

After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him, “We will go with you.” They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, “**Children, do you have any fish?**” They answered him, “No.” <sup>6</sup>He said to them, “**Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.**” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. <sup>8</sup>The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

<sup>9</sup>When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, “**Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.**” <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, “**Come and have breakfast.**” Now none of the disciples dared ask him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

A: The gospel of our Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*You may be seated.*

# CHILDREN'S CHURCH

## MESSAGE

Pastor Mayer

HYMN OF THE DAY: *"Father, We Praise You"* LBW 267

### Father, We Praise You



1 Fa - ther, we praise you, now the night is o - ver, ac - tive and  
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for your man - sions; ban - ish our  
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual Spir - it, Trin - i - ty



watch - ful, stand - ing now be - fore you; sing - ing, we of - fer  
weak - ness, health and whole - ness send - ing; bring us to heav - en,  
bless - ed, send us your sal - va - tion; yours is the glo - ry,



prayer and med - i - ta - tion; thus we a - dore you.  
where your saints u - nit - ed joy with - out end - ing.  
gleam - ing and re - sound - ing through all cre - a - tion.

## OFFERING

*(The offering plate will be passed down each pew with the help of our ushers.)*

OFFERTORY: *"Let the Vineyards be fruitful"* pg. 66 LBW

*Please stand as the offertory begins.*

C: ♪ Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come. ♪

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.

*Please be seated.*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION and THE LORD'S PRAYER

### CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*If you feel comfortable, you are invited to come to the altar rail for Holy Communion. Our ushers will direct you. Please bring your communion kit with you. If you would prefer to remain in your seats, you are welcome to celebrate Holy Communion in place.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS:** "*He Leadeth Me: Oh, Blessed Thought*" LBW 501

*"Beautiful Savior"* LBW 518

*"Lord of All Hopefulness"* LBW 469

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

C: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

*Please stand.*

**CLOSING HYMN:** "*Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer*" LBW 343

- 1) Guide me ever, great Redeemer,  
pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but you are mighty;  
hold me with your pow'rful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore,  
feed me now and evermore.
- 2) Open now the crystal fountain  
where the healing waters flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,  
shield me with your mighty arm,  
shield me with your mighty arm.
- 3) When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside;  
death of death and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs and praises, songs and praises,  
I will raise forevermore,  
I will raise forevermore.

## **BENEDICTION DISMISSAL**

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

### **SUNDAY MORNINGS AT FAITH**

**Worship Service – 9:00 AM**

*Fellowship on patio following worship*

**Sunday School – 10:15-11:15 AM**

- Pre K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade in Educational Wing
- Adult Sunday School- \* Old Testament Class in Activity Center  
\* New Testament Class in Sanctuary
- Lifebridge (Young Adult) meets in the Life Enrichment Center.

**Confirmation Class – 10:15 -11:15 AM in the small kitchen**

### **“WORDS OF FAITH” BROADCAST SUNDAYS AT 8 AM ON KWED 1580 AM RADIO**

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

### **FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR**

Have been given the glory of God by Marcus and Patricia Jahns in celebration of their 49<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and in thankfulness of His many blessings.

### **WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS:**

Attendance on April 24 was 143; Month to Date (April): **\$36,594.00**; YTD Offerings and Misc. **\$149,706.00** (2022 budgeted offerings is **\$488,775.00**)

### **WORKERS FOR NEXT WEEK**

**Sunday, May 8:** Ushers: Kerry Koehler, Andrew Koenig, John Kuempel, Matt Sherwood; Lay Reader: Roxanne Heckmann; Greeters: Dianne Chambers, Rose Mary Ermel; AV: Andrew Kuehne, Tim Bogisch; Count: Bill Ermel, Gail Herbold; Lock Up: \_\_\_\_\_.

### **NEW MEMBERS**

Pastor Mayer is holding a New Member class for those interested in becoming members of Faith! **TODAY!** (Pastor's New Testament SS class will not meet today) Please see Pastor if you are interested! Text or call him at 830-426-9146.

### **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	Correen Dube	Donald Jackson
Harold Bogisch	Carolyn Westerholm	Brad Flippin
Steve Foerster	Debbie Mozisek & her family	
The country of Ukraine		
U.S. military men and women		

## THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Sunday, May 1	JAM Bowling Party	12:00-2:00
Monday, May 2	Prayer Group	10:15 AM
Tuesday, May 3	Men's Bible Study	7:30 AM (AC)
Tuesday, May 3	Staff Mtg.	9:00 AM
Tuesday, May 3	Committee Mtgs.	7:00 PM
Wednesday, May 4	Quilters	9:00 AM (AC)
Wednesday, May 4	Children's Guitar Class	5:30 PM
Wednesday, May 4	Joyful Noise	6:00 PM
Wednesday, May 4	Hand Bells	6:015 PM
Wednesday, May 4	Chancel Singers	7:00 PM
Wednesday, May 4	FLY	6-8:00 PM

### **HAYES ROLAND HERBOLD**

Hayes receives the Promise, which is given in Holy Baptism today. Together with his parents, Melinda and Cole, we share their joy as Hayes is received into the Kingdom of God. The prayers of our church family are requested for Hayes as he begins a New Life in Christ. The sponsors for Hayes are Michelle Doege, J.C. Herbold, and members of Faith Lutheran Church.

### **PRAYERS REQUESTED**

To the family of Margaret Ann Gwyther (Peg), sister of Diane Gwyther. Peg passed through death, into eternal life on April 21 in Eugene, Oregon. Please remember her family in your prayers in the days and weeks to come.

### **VBS 2022 REGISTRATION**

Registration for VBS has begun! (Paper copy and on-line). *Monumental* is scheduled for June 27-July 1. Registration forms will be available in church office beginning Monday, April 18, or you may register online at <https://vbspro.events/p/59fac1>

### **SAVE THE DATES**

- SENIOR RECOGNITION – Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>
- **RETIREMENT CELEBRATION** for Annette Stout – Sunday, May 22
- VBS – June 27<sup>th</sup> – July 1<sup>st</sup>
- FLY BEACH GATHERING – July 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>

## PHOTO DIRECTORY



We are still missing several PICTURES for our printable/digital Church Directory!

Please send your family or individual pictures to [communications@faithseguin.org](mailto:communications@faithseguin.org) to get them included! You are also free to just grab Roxanne after service and have her take a quick photo of you!

## BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN FOR STPCC

The Social Concerns Team is sponsoring the Baby Bottle Campaign Drive for the South Texas Pregnancy Care Center. The primary mission of the center is to promote life for the unborn child and to offer support for the mother and child during pregnancy, birth, and the baby's early years. The fundraiser will begin on [Sunday, April 24](#), and conclude on [Sunday, May 15](#). Baby bottles will be available after church services or in the narthex during the week. **You can make a check out to STPCC and mail it to the church.** We will include it in our campaign contribution. We thank all of you who give a monthly gift to support the pregnancy center.

We encourage you to join other churches in the Seguin area by placing change, dollar bills, and/or checks (made out to STPCC) in the baby bottles to help support the services that the center provides. Services include pregnancy tests, sonograms, counseling, educational materials, prayers, newborn gift baskets, and slightly used baby items at no charge to clients. One hundred percent of the funds raised go directly to support the center's budget. The South Texas Pregnancy Care Center exists to offer hope to people who mistakenly believe abortion is their only option. Please return the bottles to the church no later than **Sunday, May 15**, and place them in the basket in the narthex.

## **Life is a Gift-Come Celebrate**

**Festival for South Texas Pregnancy  
Care Center**

**Saturday, June 11, 2022**

**11:00am-3:00pm / Come & Go**

**Columbus Club Hall**

**1015 S. Austin St. Seguin, TX**



**All activities and games are free!**

## CHRISTIAN CUPBOARD

Thank you to those of you who have been dropping off items for the Christian Cupboard. The April item is **CEREAL**, any variety or brand. Total number of items collected as of April 26th is 82.

## LCMC TEXAS DISTRICT ANNUAL GATHERING

Information and registration forms for the annual gathering are available on the Welcome Table in the Narthex. The gathering will be held in Victoria on July 29-30. The theme this year is **PRAY EARNESTLY** based on Matthew 9:38: *"Therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."*

A special Youth Gathering will once again be held for ALL Middle and High School Students. Information is available for both the Youth Gathering and the District Gathering at <https://www.lcmctexas.org/annual-gathering/>