



Tenth Sunday of Pentecost

August 17, 2025 -- 9:30am

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Church Office Hours:
Tuesday – Friday: 10 am to 4 pm

Pastors: Matt & Janine Goodrich
Ministers: All the people of God

This is Christ's church.

There is a place for you here.

We are a church that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace everyone as a whole person, with questions, doubts, complexities and all. We are moved by God's grace to welcome all who have ever felt marginalized, no matter your gender identity, sexual orientation, age, race, ethnicity, marital status, or faith background.

We welcome you as we worship, learn, and share Christ's love together.

Listening Devices for hearing enhancement are available in the back of the sanctuary. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Large print bulletins are available in the back of the sanctuary. Please see an usher for your copy. Feel free to take this copy home for reference during the week.

GATHERING

In Jesus' Name

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Surely the Presence of the Lord "

Crossroads

Sure-ly the pres-ence of the Lord is in this place,
 I can feel his might-y pow-er and his grace.
 I can hear the brush of an-gel's wings, I see glory on each face;
 Sure-ly the presence of the Lord is in this place.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Presider: In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Presider: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection

Presider: Merciful God,

All: you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

Presider: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of ✝ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

All: Amen.

Please stand as you are able

GATHERING HYMN

"How Firm a Foundation"

ELW #796
Red Hymnal

SALUTATION

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

All: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"This is the Feast"

Red Hymnal
Setting 4, Pg 149-150

**This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power and riches and wisdom and strength,
and honor and blessing and glory are his.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God
and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing and honor and glory and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Assisting Minister: The Lord be with you.

All: and also with you.

A.M.: O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth.

All: Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

You may be seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 23:23-29

Reader: ²³ Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? ²⁴ Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. ²⁵ I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed! I have dreamed!" ²⁶ How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷ They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸ Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. ²⁹ Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Reader: Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Lord Let My Heart Be Good Soil"

ELW #512
Red Hymnal

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

Lord, let my heart be good soil,
open to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil,
where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone away.
When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.

HOLY GOSPEL*Luke 12:49-56*

Presider: The holy gospel according to St. Luke the twelfth chapter.

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Presider: [Jesus said:] 49 "I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! 50 I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! 51 Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! 52 From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; 53 they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

54 He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain,' and so it happens. 55 And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. 56 You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

Presider: This is the gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

You may be seated

CHILDRENS SERMON*Pastor Goodrich***SERMON***Pastor Goodrich*

GOSPEL HYMN OF THE DAY *"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"*

ELW #597*Red Hymnal***APOSTLES' CREED**

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

GREETING OF PEACE

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

All: And also with you.

Presider: Let us greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

OFFERING

As we sing our offertory, we will bring forward our gifts for FISH Food Pantry.
For our regular giving, an offering plate is in the back of the Sanctuary for you to
place your financial support, or you may mail it to:

Faith Lutheran Church PO Box 2349 Roseburg OR 97470,

or you may give an offering online on our website: www.faithroseburg.org.

Thank you for your faithful support of our ministry in this place.

Together we are God's hands and feet for one another and for our community.

We Come to the Hungry Feast

ELW #479
Red Hymnal

1 We come to the hungry feast
hungry for a word of peace.
To hungry hearts unsatisfied
the love of God is not denied.

We come, we come to the hungry feast.

2 We come to the hungry feast
hungry for a world released
from hungry folk of ev'ry kind,
the poor in body, poor in mind.

We come, we come to the hungry feast.

3 We come to the hungry feast
hungry that the hunger cease,
and knowing, though we eat our fill,
the hunger will stay with us; still
we come, we come to the hungry feast.

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OFFERING PRAYER

Presider: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.

All: Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Christ

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Presider: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

**Red Hymnal
Setting 4, Pg 153**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER *(The pastor prays over the bread and wine)*

LORD'S PRAYER

Presider: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

All: **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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider: The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

AGNUS DEI *(Lamb of God)*

**Red Hymnal
Setting 4, Pg 153**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

Today we celebrate Christ's presence among us as he comes to us with grace and forgiveness in the ordinary bread and wine of the Holy Eucharist. The cups contain red wine and white grape juice. We have Gluten-Free bread available.

After you receive the Sacrament, you may take time to pray at the altar rail if you wish.

At Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, ALL are welcome to receive communion.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A.M.: Let us pray . . . Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace.

All: **Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please stand as you are able.

SENDING SONG

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

ELW #815
Red Hymnal

DISMISSAL

A.M.: Go in peace. Live by the spirit.

All: Thanks be to God.

Music to send us on our way into the world.



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YouTube: *Faith Lutheran Church, Roseburg*

Pray for those in need of healing and for those with on-going cares and concerns:

David, Eliana (Niece of Stephanie), Beverly, Barbara, Ed, Jon (Son in law of Jerry & Mary), Mark, Torr (Family member of Sue).

Save the dates...

Crafting with Jenn – Pet Portraits -

August 24, 12:30pm

Morning Prayer and **Bible Study** on Wednesday mornings at 10:00am at
St. George Episcopal Church 1024 SE Cass Ave Roseburg

Brewed Theology will meet
August 28th at 2:30 and 6:30 in Brix Upper Room.

Web & Mobile Giving

*The two options for giving at Faith are Web and Mobile giving.
Both these options are powered by tithe.ly (recommended by the ELCA).*

To give via the web go to:

<https://faithroseburg.org/online-giving/>

*To give via your mobile device (phone and/or tablet), make sure location services is turned on, go to your android or iPhone App store, search for Tithe.ly Click on ELCA giving tool by tithe.ly and download (get) the App.
It is super simple!!*



Beverly now resides at:

Brookdale Senior Center at 3400 NW Edenbower,
541-464-5600.

Beverly is asking for visitors to please come and visit or maybe call. She does not have a private phone but if you call the front desk they will locate her.

Beverly is still able to go out for church on Sundays, or have lunch, or a nice country ride, just check in with the front desk so they are aware. She will need a ride on Sundays for worship. Please consider asking her to ride with you if you live close by.



It was decided that with all that is going on and with Janine, who holds the license, not being here, we should cancel the movie in August.

Jenn watched America's Family and didn't think it was a good fit. At this point Hidden Figures seems like a good movie to show on September 12, the second Friday of the month.

We will have a meeting on August 20 to discuss and finalize those plans.

Thanks,
Debby

Serving Next Week's Service – August 24, 2025

<i>Acolyte/Crucifer</i>	Brandi, Cora
<i>Assisting Minister</i>	Jennifer
<i>Lector</i>	Stephanie
<i>Communion Assistant</i>	Stephanie
<i>Ushers</i>	Emory and Gail
<i>Greeter</i>	Open
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Margaret, Jane, Debby
<i>Fellowship</i>	Chicken Sunday
<i>Musicians</i>	Guitar – Eric
.....	Pianist – Gwen
.....	Choir - Crossroads
<i>Flowers</i>	Open

August 17th, through August 24th, 2025

Sunday – August 17, 2025

8:30am Crossroads rehearsal - SA
 9:30am Worship – SA
 10:30am WOF Bake Sale – FH
 7:00pm *Mt Nebo AA Meeting – AT*

Monday – August 18, 2025

Pastors' Day Off

10:00am Watercolor Fellowship – AT
 4:15pm In-Reach Meeting - AT

Tuesday – August 19, 2025

12:00pm *Alanon Meeting – AT*

Wednesday – August 20, 2025

10:00pm Morning Prayer at - St. George
 10:30am ... Bible Study at - St. George
 4:30pm Embracing Diversity Meeting - AT
 6:00pm *Twisted Sisters AA (Women only) – SSR*
 6:30pm *Alanon Meeting – CR*
 7:00pm *Learning to Live Again NA Meeting – AT*

Thursday – August 21, 2025

1:00pm Lydia's Ladies Quilting – Home of Jane Hill
 7:00pm *Mt Nebo AA Meeting – AT*

Friday – August 22, 2025

Saturday – August 23, 2025

Sunday – August 24, 2025

8:30am Crossroads rehearsal - SA
 9:30am Worship – SA
 10:30am Chicken Sunday – FH
 7:00pm *Mt Nebo AA Meeting – AT*

KEY

FH = Fellowship Hall
 FLY = Youth Room
 CR = Conference Room
 SA = Sanctuary
 AT = Atrium
 SSR = Sunday School Rooms
 ABS = Adult Bible Study
 (behind sanctuary)
 PO = Pastors office

Sunday, August 17, 2025 Lectionary 20

Overview The Reality of Division

Throughout the Gospel of Luke, Jesus calls on his hearers to turn their hearts away from greed and instead to generosity, to turn away from anxious self-preservation and instead to faithful self-giving. But such practice rubs against humanity's deepest-seated sin, so conflict is born out of Jesus' peace-filled activity. Jesus' words and actions had already pitted him against the religious leaders and will lead him to the cross. Now, in today's gospel, Jesus speaks to the reality of that division.

His words unsettle us, yet they are spoken for a reason. In the reading from Jeremiah, God challenges the prophets who dole out lies and deceit and asks, how long until they turn their hearts back to me? This is a question of compassion and yearning for a restored relationship. Likewise, although Jesus' words are incendiary and speak of broken relationships, they are meant to prompt the people's faithful response: to lay aside anxiety and greed and to turn their hearts to the treasures of God's promised kingdom, where Christ takes division upon himself on the cross.

While fully aware of the realities of conflict and division, we are to live as hopeful people, praying fervently for God's compassion and for the restoration of right relationships.

The Readings in the Bible

[Luke 12:49-56](#)

Writing in the 80s, Luke had to deal with the delay of the parousia. In this passage, Luke is uncharacteristically severe about the need to remain faithful, no matter how long the wait or how intense the conflict. Fire is both a sign of judgment and the process for purification. Jesus' baptism is his passion and death. Many baptized members in the early Christian movement came as individuals, not in family units: thus devotion to Christ might well mean dissension in the family.

[Jeremiah 23:23-29](#)

The prophet Jeremiah (626-586 bce) is responsible for chapters 1-25 of the book bearing his name. Throughout his lifetime, much of the Middle East was at war, and Jeremiah proclaimed that the plight of Israel and Judah was God's punishment—here, God's fire, God's hammer—for their unfaithfulness. His unpopular message, which was rejected and led to his persecution, included condemnation of false prophets, who relied on dreams, but who spoke only what people wanted to hear. The passage indicates the move from tribal religion to the beginnings of genuine monotheism: YHWH, the god of Israel, is the God who fills heaven and earth.

The Readings on This Day
Sunday, August 14–20
Lectionary 20

Over the last weeks we have encountered lots of forgiveness in Luke's gospel. This Sunday we hear that God's mercy has a sharp edge, as if in-laws were at each other's throats.

[Luke 12:49-56](#)

Luke writes that faithfulness to Christ and to the community of the baptized is likely to be countercultural, unpopular, even divisive. Much in current Christianity emphasizes instead the open inclusiveness of the church and its commitment to peace. This gospel reading reminds us that frequently, a statement about Christianity needs to be held together with its opposite. Next to the dove of peace is the sword of the word.

[Jeremiah 23:23-29](#)

This selection from Jeremiah is set next to Luke 12 to emphasize that God's word has always been unpopular and a challenge to the culture. The human phenomenon of religion is characterized by pleasant dreams that may be far distant from the message of God's word. Both Jeremiah and Luke describe the word of God as fire.