

# FAITH

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -

July 16, 2023 • 7th Sunday of Pentecost • Guatemala Sunday

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### GATHERING SONGS

*Less Like Me*  
*Chainbreaker*

### OPENING

### WORD

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PARISH NEWS

### GOSPEL READING

**Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23** *Pew Bible pg. #891*

<sup>1</sup>That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. <sup>2</sup>Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup>And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup>And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. <sup>5</sup>Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. <sup>6</sup>But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup>Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. <sup>8</sup>Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. <sup>9</sup>Let anyone with ears listen!"

<sup>18</sup>"Hear then the parable of the sower. <sup>19</sup>When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. <sup>20</sup>As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; <sup>21</sup>yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. <sup>22</sup>As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. <sup>23</sup>But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

### SERMON

Nancy & Jim Friedrich, Synod Guatemala Leadership Team  
*Synod Ministry Partners, Iglesia Luterano de Guatemala & the Milagro School*

*This sermon manuscript is available online at [www.faithloves.com](http://www.faithloves.com).*

### SERMON SONG

*Desert Song*

### THANKSGIVING

### SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

### OFFERING

### OFFERING SONG

### BLESSING OF THE OFFERING

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*OUR VISION*  
To be an inspired body of Christ.



*OUR MISSION*  
Love God. Love Others. Serve.

## THANKSGIVING

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER / HOLY COMMUNION

#### INVITATION

Pastor: This the table, not of the righteous, but of the poor in spirit. It is made ready for those who seek only to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little. You who have often been here and you who have not been here for a long time. You who have tried to follow and all of us who have failed. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

#### DISTRIBUTION SONG

#### COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**Congregation: Amen.**

#### THE CHARGE

Pastor: Our worship service has ended, now your service begins. How will you go from here to love God, love others, serve?

**Congregation: We go in peace with good courage; holding fast to all which is good; rendering to no one evil for evil; strengthening the fainthearted; supporting the weak; helping the afflicted; honoring all people; and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

## SENDING

#### BENEDICTION

Pastor: Almighty God, Father, Son † and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Congregation: Amen.**

#### SENDING SONG

*Glorious Day*

#### DISMISSAL

Praise Band: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

Flowers on the altar are given by **Pat Weaver**  
in memory of her parents, Lillian & Wilbur Weaver.

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Evangelical Lutheran Churches in America

Founding Congregation of Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church, Tellico Village

Founding Congregation of Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry ▪ Stephen Ministry Congregation

Traditional Worship, 9am ♦ Contemporary Worship, 11:11am

**Dr. Bob Stelter** — Pastor  
**Greg Bohlken** — Ministry Associate  
**Lynn Rognsvoog** — Organist  
**Collin Kasefang** — Choir Director  
**Lisa Stelter** — Worship Graphics

### Members of Faith Lutheran Church — Ministers

**Sam Sosebee** — Youth Ministry Intern  
**Sandra Bohlken** — Contemporary Worship Leader  
**Trace Taylor** — Sound Technician  
**Tiffany Bryson** — Nursery Caregiver  
**Kim Frasch** — Quiet Music Ministry

**Mary Boring** — Office Manager  
**Phylis Garrison** — Publications  
**Barbara Birkholz** — Financial Secretary  
**Mildred Fenske** — Prayer Chain Coordinator  
**Alicia & David Brondos** — Missionaries

**WELCOME!** As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identity are united here in our mission to love God, love others and serve. Please sign a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate.

### NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Want to know more about Lutheranism and our ministries? For those considering membership & want to know more about Faith Lutheran Church, see Greg Bohlken or contact him at [greg@faithloves.org](mailto:greg@faithloves.org).

### Sunday Worship 9 & 11:11am

Live in the sanctuary or online at:

[YouTube.com/@FaithLutheranChurch3329/stream](https://www.youtube.com/@FaithLutheranChurch3329/stream)

**NEW DIRECTORY PHOTOS between services.** Plan to sit for a photo today or on an upcoming Sunday.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES, 10:15AM

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** *The Cup*

**TEEN SUNDAY SCHOOL!** 6-12th grades meet in youth room. Donuts, conversation & study Sunday Gospel.

**COLUMBARIUM NICHES** are available to our members for \$1,800 & to non-members at \$2,500. Application forms are located in our **Columbarium Booklet** in the narthex.

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY, 1:30pm** led by John Woods.

**HANDBELL PLAYERS REHEARSAL Wednesdays, 5:30pm.**

Join us! Lynn offers piano lessons, too. Contact her at [rosiemomflowers@yahoo.com](mailto:rosiemomflowers@yahoo.com) or call 503-819-0118.

**2023 FLOWER CHART** Sign up on the chart by the library to honor or commemorate your loved ones with beautiful flowers on our altar.

**NOTICE:** Pastor Bob has never and will never ask for support or funds via email, text or Facebook. Please report suspicious items to the office, 865-966-9626.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY	
11:11am Contemporary	
Altar Guild	Jen, Christian & Brad Berry
Communion Ministers	Dawn, Cadence & Cortlyn Titworth Kristie Turner, Lisa Stelter
Greeter	Carol Nanney
Ushers	Linda & John Shoemaker
Offering Stewards	Debbie Ragucci, Brad Nelson

### SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Open Monday, July 17, 3-6pm

**TODAY! "OPEN HOUSE" SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY**

Our pantry rooms will be open between services and after the 11:11am service. Our Volunteers will be here to answer questions and describe how the pantry works.

### **THE FOOD PANTRY CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS IN JULY!**

This year our food pantry will again provide traditional holiday food baskets for our pantry guests and Knox County School students' families in need. Students receive a certificate for their parents to redeem for a holiday food basket.

We begin assembling this fall and plan to prepare 400 holiday baskets. Celebrate with us by considering a donation of:

- Reusable Grocery bags.
- Monetary donations for the pantry to purchase a holiday ham or turkey.

Shepherd of Hope donation envelopes are found in the narthex.

**Contact: Reneé Stone, 865-599-7424**

### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

**PAULA MORRIS RECITAL Saturday, July 22, 5pm.** A free-will donation will be taken to help her fund her USC masters degree.

**WIDOW'S GATHERING Tuesday, July 25, noon.** Join us in *The Cup* for lunch and conversation.

**SALVATION ARMY MEN & WOMEN'S SHELTERS, Tuesday, July 25, 5pm.** Current needs: men's boxers, l-xl, & crew socks. Debbie Ragucci, 865.567.1945 or Michael Lee 865.406.6585.  
**Dates:** 8.22, 9.26, 10.24, 11.28, 12.19.

**FAMILIES WITH TODDLERS PLAYDATE Saturday, July 29, 10am,** change to McFee Park Splash Pad. "Littles" toddler group hosts.

### JULY YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **HUMANE SOCIETY Wednesday, July 19.** Youth volunteer to help at the Humane Society walking dogs!
- **FAITH SERVES KARM Saturday, July 22, noon.** Youth help serve! Sign up to cook or serve. **Dates:** 9.23, 12.2, 1.27.24.
- **SALVATION ARMY VISIT Wednesday, July 26, meet at church at 10am.** Youth volunteer to prep Salvation Army Angel Tree.

### Giving: 7.9.2023

Offerings last Sunday: \$ 7,451  
 Offerings Year to Date: \$ 340,152  
 Walk by Faith as of June 30 \$ 749,432



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## PRAYER CONCERNS

**MEMBERS:** Shaun Allred, Arlene Aring, Doug Bales, Jennifer Berry, Mary Blackburn, Rebecca Calderone, Amy Canapa, Leon Cole, Myles Cooper, Mac Curtis, Patsy Elmore, Kim Fransch, Pat & Nick Gary, the Green family, Maret & Leo Hebert, Carmen Larsen, Bonnie Legako, Kris Lehman, Heather McDonald, Lin & Mike McKinley, Bob Moore, Joe Morelli, Carol Perkins, Marti Poole, Joe Poole, Donnie & Lisa Smith & family, Pamela Spaar, Bobbie Steele, Gaylon Swenson, Linda Swenson, Kristie & Paul Turner, Jim Van Deusen, Susan Vanacore, Nick Vanacore, Danny Willis.

*This column will start anew on the first Sunday of each month.*

**FRIENDS:** Dixie Armstrong, Brian Austin, Geri Babb, Beckwith/Gobel families, Shirley Bell, Valborg Berdal, Dee Bohn, Marsha Bode, Sharon Brokenshire, Kathryn Butcher, Ginger Cameron, Michael Carfi, Cemas family, Jack Cleve, Harold Chapel, Jan Colangelo, Marybeth Connor, Bill Crain, Nancy Crain, Damico family, Steve Dodds, Brandy & Brian Duke, Vader Ernst, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Nick Frank, Becky Franklin & family, Gregory Goodall, Sandra & Joel Garber, Gutelius family, Terry Ann Hackney, Libertyd Haynes Hampshire, Rita Heavner, Janis Hickle, Cathy Hinkle, Linda Holtz, Jim Kilgore, Donna Knick, Barb Korsmo, Phil Lalley, Karlyn Langford, Robin Lechien, Loyacano family, Thomas Marish, Luis Mariusso, Lysbeth Martin, David Matthews, Audra Tyler Moore, Amy Neil, Jill Noe, Lee North, Ruth Pietrick, Jim Presley, Susan Roig & family, Victor Romero, Salles families, Jessica Savitz, Scaglione family, Scheivert family, Jo & Alton Schexhayder, Karen Schumaker, David Schumaker, Becky Sera, Victor Serrano, Jim Shea, Austin Stephens, Cheile Coffey Stewart, Lynda Swayze, Mr. & Mrs. Tindall, Paul Travis, Frank Tyler, Natalie Volz, Walli Weigl, Matthew Wilson, Tiffany Williams, Walter Williams, Walter Wilson, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Martha Woodward, Zehner family, Anna, Ashley, Caleb, Darcy, Elijah, Gayle, Jodi, Joy & Bobby, Karen & Gary, Kathryn, Katie, Kimberly, Michael, Michelle, Patty, Steve, Tom, Melvin, Ellen & Gizelle, *and those we name You.*

**BLESSINGS:** the Ministry of Nancy & Jim Friedrich, Guatemala leadership team for our Synod Ministry Partners, Iglesia Luterano de Guatemala & the Milagro School.

**JOY AT THE RETIREMENT OF:** Ritchie Case

**SAFETY:** Members and friends travelling throughout the summer.

**COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH:** Jason Peters, Claire Racine, Charles Clevenger, Jeffery Brown, Donald Hinkle, Peggy Beckwith, Debbie Moore.

**SALVATION ARMY FRIENDS:** Denisha, Samantha, Amanda, Tammy, Penny, Nicole, Andrew, Zach, Tim, Ogre, Randy, Eddy, Albert, Nuko, Elijah, Jake, Matt, Edward, Carlos, Gibby, Shane, Garrison, Justin, Angel, Marcos.

**PRAYERS, CONCERN & ASSISTANCE:** The people of Ukraine and Sudan; the physically & mentally disabled.

**PARTNERSHIPS:** Bishop Eaton & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Women's & Men's Homeless Shelters; Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band, Mercy Ships, Iglesia Luterano Augustana de Guatemala & Milagro Women's Education Center, AL-ANON, Narcotics Anonymous.

**PEACE:** Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Andrew Chovancek, Nathan Goodall, Tyler Hitter, H.M., Anthony Hu, Julianne LeFevre-Kerr, Chase Linell, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Alex Serrano, Sam Thompson, Mitchell Yount, Greg Zager.



## 2023 COUNCIL MEMBERS

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### WEEK OF JULY 16-23, 2023

#### Sunday, July 16 7th Sunday of Pentecost

#### Guatemala Leadership Presentations Photos for New Directory

<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Traditional Worship</b> Sanctuary
10:00am	Fellowship <i>The Cup</i>
<b>10:15am</b>	<b>Teen Sunday School</b> Youth Room
	Adult Sunday School
	Praise Team Rehearsal
	<b>Guatemala Leadership Q &amp; A</b> <i>The Cup</i>
<b>11:11am</b>	<b>Contemporary Worship</b>
5:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Zoom</i>

#### Monday, July 17

<b>3-5pm</b>	<b>Food Pantry open</b>
<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Property Team meeting</b>

#### Tuesday, July 18

1:30pm	Bible Study Small Group <i>The Cup</i>
6:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>zoom</i>
7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous <i>The Cup</i>

#### Wednesday, July 19

#### Youth Walk Dogs at Humane Society

10:00am	Anna Esther Circle <i>The Cup</i>
11:00am	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>
4:00pm	Staff Meeting
5:30pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, July 20

<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Handy Faithfuls Workday</b>
6:00pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Executive Committee meeting</b>
<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Council meeting</b>
7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous <i>The Cup</i>

#### Friday, July 21

9:30am	Cole Center Parkinsons Band
7:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous Group <i>The Cup</i>

#### Saturday, July 22

	Easter Lutheran Church Youth Sleepover
11:00am	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>
Noon	Faith serves KARM <i>Youth Serve</i>
5:00pm	Classical Music Recital

#### Sunday, July 23 8th Sunday of Pentecost

#### Photos for New Directory

<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Traditional Worship</b> Sanctuary
10:00am	Fellowship <i>The Cup</i>
<b>10:15am</b>	<b>Teen Sunday School</b> Youth Room
	Adult Sunday School
	Praise Team Rehearsal
<b>11:11am</b>	<b>Contemporary Worship</b>
5:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Zoom</i>

### PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

**Monday:** Psalm 142; Micah 1:1-5; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8. • **Tuesday:** Psalm 142; Jeremiah 49:7-11; Ephesians 4:17-5:2.

**Wednesday:** Psalm 142; Obadiah 15-21; Matthew 13:10-17. • **Thursday:** Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24; Isaiah 44:1-5; Hebrews 2:1-9.

**Friday:** Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24; Ezekiel 39:21-29; Hebrews 6:13-20. • **Saturday:** Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24; Exodus 14:9-25; Matthew 7:15-20.

**8th Sunday of Pentecost:** Isaiah 44:16-8 or Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Psalm 86:11-17; Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43.