

FAITH

LUTHERAN CHURCH

- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -
July 30, 2023 • 9th Sunday of Pentecost

OPENING

GATHERING SONGS

Lift Thine Eyes
Jesus
Goodness of God

Faith Bells

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PARISH NEWS

BIBLE READINGS

Romans 8:31-39 Pew Bible pg. #1032

Paul says that we are God's elect. It is impossible to live beyond God's love and care.

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?

³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

'For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.'

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Luke 22:39-44 Pew Bible pg. #963

Jesus has a case against God, as he prays for God to remove the cup that is before him. He accepts God's desire that he go to the cross.

³⁹Jesus came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. ⁴⁰When he reached the place, he said to them, 'Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.' ⁴¹Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, ⁴²'Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.' ⁴³Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. ⁴⁴In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground.

SERMON

The Case Against God

Pastor Bob Stelter

Today's sermon manuscript is available on our website: www.faithloves.com.

SERMON SONG

The Blessing

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

OUR VISION

To be an inspired body of Christ.



OUR MISSION

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

BLESSING OF THE OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER / HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE FROM PASTOR BOB STELTER

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.

SENDING OF THE DEACONS

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

Greatness of Our God

DISMISSAL

Praise Band: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

*Flowers on the altar are given by Larry Koran Jr.
in memory of his mother, Karen.*

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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
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.

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.

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 or call 503-819-0118.

2023 FLOWER CHART Sign up on the flower chart by the library to honor or commemorate your loved ones with beautiful flowers on our altar. Only 4 dates open in 2023!

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

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.

SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Open Mondays: August 7, 3-5pm & August 21, 3-6pm

Each year the food pantry provides traditional holiday food baskets to our pantry guests & Knox County School students and their families. The students are referred to the pantry and given a certificate to redeem for a holiday food basket. We'll begin the assembly process this fall and plan to distribute 400 holiday baskets. Please consider a donation of:

- **Reusable grocery bags.**
- **\$25 or \$40 donation to purchase a holiday ham or turkey.**

Please use the Shepherd of Hope donation envelopes, located in the narthex, to support the purchase of gift cards.

Contact: Reneé Stone, 865-599-7424.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

WALK BY FAITH—TIME TO CELEBRATE! Saturday, August 12, 5pm Join us for an exciting celebration dinner to dedicate our new kitchen, share a meal, hear our musicians and view an amazing video which shows all the great work done. Thanks to your support for our 3-year *Walk by Faith* campaign, we even surpassed our stretch goal to improve our facilities!

SALVATION ARMY MEN & WOMEN'S SHELTERS, Tuesday, August 22, 5pm. Current needs: men's boxers, l-xl, & crew socks. Debbie Ragucci, 865.567.1945 or Michael Lee 865.406.6585. **Dates:** 9.26, 10.24, 11.28, 12.19.

FIRST WEDNESDAYS Begin September 6. Monthly dinner, classes & choirs for all ages.

SAVE THE DATE — FALL FESTIVAL Sunday, October 22, 2-5pm. This fun event will benefit our Food Pantry!

UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS** Next Sunday, August 6, both worship services.
- **INFO MEETING—2024 NEW ORLEANS YOUTH GATHERING Sunday, August 6, 10:15am.** Youth & parents, join us in the *Youth Room* to get details on this exciting event coming next July 16-20!
- **CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION Starting on Sunday, September 10** is a 2-year in-depth study of the Bible and Luther's Catechism for 8th and 9th graders.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

11:11am Contemporary

Altar Guild	Jen, Christian & Brad Berry
Communion Ministers	Lisa Stelter, Richard Lehner, Katie Lehner, Teensy Weldon, Frank Weldon
Greeter	Yvette Edwards
Ushers	David Wyatt, Carol Manning
Offering Stewards	Ken Savitz, George Herbold

Giving: 7.23.2023

Offerings last Sunday: \$ 14,493
Offerings Year to Date \$ 369,050
Walk by Faith as of June 30 \$ 749,432



Scan this QR code with your phone camera to donate now on our secure webpage.



PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS: Shaun Allred, Arlene Aring, Doug Bales, Mary Blackburn, Rebecca Calderone, Amy Canapa, Leon Cole, Myles Cooper, Mac Curtis, Patsy Elmore, Kim Frasca, 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, Toby Rosenbaum, 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, Sandra & Joel Garber, Gregory Goodall, Jan & Bill Gross, Gutelius family, Terry Ann Hackney, Liberty Haynes Hampshire, Rita Heavner, Janis Hickle, Cathy Hinkle, Linda Holtz, Larry Hood, Tom Kautz, Jim Kilgore, Donna Knick, Barb Korsmo, Phil Lalley, Kartyn 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 Pribish, Susan Roig & family, Victor Romerez, 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, Karson Vincent, 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, Heather, Irma, Jodi, Joy & Bobby, Karen & Gary, Kathryn, Katie, Kimberly, Michael, Michelle, Patty, Shayna, Steve, Tom, Melvin, Ellen & Gizelle, *and those we name You.*

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 30-AUGUST 6, 2023

Sunday, July 30 9th Sunday of Pentecost

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

Tuesday, August 1

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, August 2

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

Thursday, August 3

9:00am	Authors Guild of Tennessee <i>The Cup</i>
6:00pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous <i>The Cup</i>

Friday, August 4

7:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous Group <i>The Cup</i>
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Saturday, August 5

11:00am	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>
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Sunday, August 6 10th Sunday of Pentecost **Blessing of the Backpacks**

9:00am	Traditional Worship <i>Sanctuary</i>
10:00am	Fellowship <i>The Cup</i>
10:15am	Info Meeting — 2024 Youth Gathering
	Teen Sunday School <i>Youth Room</i>
	Adult Sunday School
	Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am	Contemporary Worship
5:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Zoom</i>



PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday: Psalm 65:8-13; Genesis 30:25-36; James 3:13-18. • **Tuesday:** Psalm 65:8-13; Genesis 30:37-43; Ephesians 6:10-18.

Wednesday: Psalm 65:8-13; Genesis 46:2-47:12; Mark 4:30-34.

Thursday: Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Isaiah 14:1-2; Philippians 4:10-15.

Friday: Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Isaiah 41:8-10; Romans 9:6-13. • **Saturday:** : Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Genesis 31:1-21; Matthew 7:7-11.

10th Sunday of Pentecost: Isaiah 55:1-5; Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21.