

FAITH

LUTHERAN CHURCH

- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -
October 1, 2023 • 18th Sunday of Pentecost

OPENING

GATHERING SONGS

Build Your Kingdom Here
Build My Life

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PARISH NEWS

BIBLE READINGS

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:23-32 Pew Bible pg. #957

After driving the moneychangers out of the temple (21:12), Jesus begins teaching there. His authority is questioned by the religious leaders, who are supposed to be in charge of the temple.

²³When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" ²⁴Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ²⁶But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." ²⁷So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. ²⁸What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' ²⁹He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

SERMON

Saying versus Doing

Greg Bohlken, Ministry Associate

SERMON SONG

Man in the Mirror

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

THANKSGIVING

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

Presiding Minister: Holy, mighty & merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
*“Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
“This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Presiding Minister: With one voice, we pray:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

DISTRIBUTION SONG

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Congregation: Amen.

THE CHARGE

Greg Bohlken, Ministry Associate: Love your neighbor. Love the stranger. Hear the cry of the otherwise unheard. Liberate the poor from their poverty. Care for the dignity of all. Let those who have more than they need share their blessings with those who have less. Feed the hungry, house the homeless and heal the sick in body and mind. Fight injustice, whoever it is done by and whoever it is done against. And do these things because, being human, we are bound by a covenant of human solidarity, whatever our color or culture, class or Creed.

These are moral principles, not economic or political ones. They have to do with conscience, not wealth or power. But without them, freedom will not survive.*

Congregation: Let the church speak! Amen.

SENDING

BENEDICTION

Ministry Associate: Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

SENDING SONG

All the People Said Amen

DISMISSAL

Praise Band: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Flowers on the altar are given by Gloria Fife in memory of her husband, Ron.

*Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, from *Morality: Restoring the Common Good in Divided Times* (New York: Basic Books) 2020.

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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 Rognsvog — Organist
Collin Kasefang — Choir Director
Lisa Stelter — Worship Graphics

Members of Faith Lutheran Church — Ministers
Sandra Bohlken — Contemporary Worship Leader
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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? Are you considering membership & want to know more about Faith Lutheran Church? See Greg Bohlken or contact him at greg@faithloves.org.

NEW DIRECTORY PHOTOS between services.

Sunday Worship 9 & 11:11am

Live in the sanctuary or online at:

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

Sunday School Today — 10:15AM

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL, led by John Woods.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

1ST & 2ND YEAR CLASSES meet at 10:15am today

3RD YEAR CLASS meets today, 10/8 & 15, 10:15am

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL grades 5 & under.

TEEN SUNDAY SCHOOL grades 6-12. youth room

Donuts, conversation & study Sunday Gospel.

REHEARSALS

HANDBELLS — Wednesdays, 5:30pm

CHANCEL CHOIR — Wednesdays, 6:30pm

PRAISE TEAM — Thursdays, 6pm & Sundays, 10:15am

RAISE THE ROOF! Help us preserve our church home. Our roof needs to be replaced. To help support this project, please note "Raise the Roof" on your donations.

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. December 3 is available.

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

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY	
11:11am Contemporary	
Altar Guild	Carrie Parrott, Scarlett Parrott
Communion Ministers	Jenn Berry, Christian Berry Richard Lehner, Katie Lehner
Greeter	Shirley Hahn
Ushers	Eric Johnson, Doug Gerrick
Offering Stewards	Gary Dakolios, George Herbold

SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Open: Mondays October 2, 3-5pm & October 16, 3-6pm

Needs for our Holiday baskets for our pantry guests & families of students in our local schools:

- Vegetable Oil (32oz plastic bottles)
- Tea bags (20—48 count) • Coffee, (1lb ground)
- Monetary donations for a ham or turkey.

Shepherd of Hope donation envelopes are in the narthex.

Contact: Reneé Stone, 865-599-7424.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

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

FIRST WEDNESDAY THIS WEEK October 4, RSVP for dinner (5:15-6:15pm) or sign up to help at <https://signup.com/go/QtQWwp>. Study & programs follow dinner—there's something for all!

BLESSING OF THE PETS Saturday, October 7, 10am.

COOKIE WALK MEETING, Sunday, October 8, 10:15AM. For everyone interested in with the cookie walk and craft fair.

SPIRITUALITY BOOK GROUP Tuesday, October 10, 6:30pm in the library. The Human Comedy by William Saroyan.

GUATEMALA DISCERNMENT MEETING, Sunday, October 15, 10:15am.

TRUNKS NEEDED FOR TRUNK-OR-TREAT Sunday, October 22, 5-7pm at Farragut Presbyterian Church. RSVP to include your car trunk: masonwarren@fpctn.org.

KNOXVILLE OPERA GOSPEL CHOIR FREE CONCERT Sunday, October 29, 5pm. Tickets are required for this Free Event. For tickets sign in at: <https://tinyurl.com/KnoxGospelChoir>. Bring friends & neighbors!

UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **YOUTH GROUP 1ST WEDNESDAY, October 4, 5:15pm** meet in the Youth Room. We'll all go to dinner together.
- **YOUTH 3RD SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH** We join youth groups from local area Lutheran churches for activities and fun! October destination: Peace Lutheran Church.

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

Giving: 9.24.2023

Offerings last Sunday: \$ 7,570

Offerings Year to Date \$ 464,943

Walk by Faith as of August 31 \$ 750,476



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PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS: Shannon Allred, Shaun Allred, Arlene Aring, Doug Bales, Mary Blackburn, Rebecca Calderone, Amy Canapa, Leon Cole, Myles Cooper, Chuck Crosby, Mac Curtis, Patsy Elmore, Kim Frasch, Pat & Nick Gary, Green family, Maret & Leo Hebert, Carmen Larsen, Bonnie Legako, Kris Lehman, Anne Loyocano, Heather McDonald, Lin & Mike McKinley, Bob Moore, Joe Morelli, Joe Poole, Lynda Primka, Toby Rosenbaum, Ken Savitz, Donnie & Lisa Smith & family, Pamela Spaar, Bobbie Steele, Gaylon Swenson, Linda Swenson, 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, Jenna Barbee, Caroline Beavers, Beckwith/Gobel families, David Berdal, Valborg Berdal, Marsha Bode, Sharon Brokenshire, Ginger Cameron, Michael Carfi, Jack Cleve, Harold Chapel, Jan Colangelo, Marybeth Connor, Virginia Corona, Lisa Cox, Bill Crain, Nancy Crain, Milton Creighton, Damico family, Lois Douglas, Brandy & Brian Duke, Vader Ernst, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Jordan & Tyler Fordiani, Becky Franklin, Sandra & Joel Garber, Gregory Goodall, Gutelius family, John Hargrove, Rita Heavner, Linda Holtz, Joy Hymer, Donna Knick, Anthony Koran, Barb Korsmo, Rob Keiser, Anthony Koran, Long family, Loyacano family, David Matthews, Paul Miller, Audra Tyler Moore, Bob Moore, Dennis Oellig, Steve Penney, Fred Pleasant, Susan Roig, Salles families, Jessica Savitz, Scaglione family, Victor Serrano, Jim Shea, Lynn Siegfried, Donna Smith, Austin Stephens, Paul Travis, Frank Tyler, Natalie Volz, Lynda Welter, Virginia Williams, Andrea Wilson, Susan Wymer, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Martha Woodward, Anne, Darcy, Jodi, John, Michael *and those we name to You.*

JOY: First Wednesday gatherings each month!

COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH: Michael, Mark Schwarzentraub, Wayne Varnes, Nick Frank, Loise Black.

SALVATION ARMY FRIENDS: Sarah, Stephanie, Samantha, Mikala, Tara, Deniesha, Juan, Snake, Brandon, Andrew, John, Reggie, John, Colin, Steve, J.R., Zach, David, John, Clive, Brad, Larry.

PRAYERS, CONCERN & ASSISTANCE: The people of Hawaii, Ukraine, Russia, Sudan, Libya & Morocco. Mentally & physically challenged. Veterans.

LEARNING & PASTORAL DEVELOPMENT: William Bales at Concordia (Ft. Wayne, IN) Seminary.

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.



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WEEK OF OCTOBER 1-8, 2023

Sunday, October 1 18th Sunday of Pentecost

9:00am Traditional Worship *Sanctuary*
10:00am Fellowship *The Cup*
10:15am Children's Sunday School *5th Grades & under*
Teen Sunday School *Grades 6-12*
Adult Sunday School
Confirmation Class 1st, 2nd & 3rd Year
Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am Contemporary Worship
5:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

Monday, October 2

Noon Via de Cristo Reunion Group *library*
3-5pm Food Pantry open

Tuesday, October 3

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

Wednesday, October 4 1st Wednesday

11:00am Alanon meeting
4:00pm Staff meeting
5:15-7:30pm 1st Wednesday Dinner & Programs
5:30pm Children's Choir
5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 5

9:00am Authors Guild of Tennessee
6:00pm Praise Team Rehearsal
7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

Friday, October 6

9:30am Cole Center Parkinsons Band
7:00pm Narcotics Anonymous Group *The Cup*

Saturday, October 7 Blessing of the Pets

10:00am Blessing of the Pets *Angel Garden*
11:00am AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

Sunday, October 8 19th Sunday of Pentecost

9:00am Traditional Worship *Sanctuary*
10:00am Fellowship *The Cup*
10:15am Children's Sunday School *5th Grades & under*
Teen Sunday School *Grades 6-12*
Adult Sunday School
Confirmation Class 3rd Year
Cookie Walk Meeting *The Cup*
Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am Contemporary Worship
3:00pm Marj West *reserved The Cup*
5:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday: Psalm 42; Exodus 18:1-12; Philippians 1:3-14. • **Tuesday:** Psalm 42; Exodus 18:13-27; Philippians 1:15-21.

Wednesday: Psalm 42; Exodus 19:9b-25; Matthew 9:2-8.

Thursday: Psalm 19; Exodus 23:1-9; Colossians 2:16-23.

Friday: Psalm 19; Exodus 23:14-19; Philippians 2:14-18; 3:1-4a. • **Saturday:** Psalm 19; Exodus 23:10-13; John 7:40-52.

19th Sunday of Pentecost: Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:7-15; Philemon 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46.