

# FAITH

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -  
September 24, 2023 • 17th Sunday of Pentecost • WELCA Sunday

### OPENING

#### GATHERING SONGS

*Souls on Fire*  
*Even So, Come*

### WORD

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PARISH NEWS

#### BIBLE READINGS

**Gospel: Luke 17:1-6, 11-17** *Pew Bible pg. #957*

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Occasions for stumbling are bound to come, but woe to anyone by whom they come! <sup>2</sup>It would be better for you if a millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea than for you to cause one of these little ones to stumble. <sup>3</sup>Be on your guard! If another disciple sins, you must rebuke the offender, and if there is repentance, you must forgive. <sup>4</sup>And if the same person sins against you seven times a day, and turns back to you seven times and says, "I repent", you must forgive.'

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you.'

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee.

<sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?'

#### SERMON

*Where Are They?*

Reverend Wyn Bryant, Presiding Minister

#### SERMON SONG

*Fear Is a Liar*

#### 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

*Greater*

### DISMISSAL

Praise Band: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

*Flowers on the altar are given by Darla & Alan Berdal in honor of their grandson, Silas.*

\*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 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*  
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**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? Are you considering membership & want to know more about Faith Lutheran Church? See Greg Bohlken or contact him at [greg@faithloves.org](mailto: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 10/1,8,15 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 found in our *Columbarium Booklet* located in the narthex.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY	
11:11am	
Altar Guild	Melissa Horning
Communion Ministers	Debbie Courtney, Virginia McKinney, Connie Rist, Amy Monteagudo
Greeter	Pat Weaver
Ushers	Shirley Hahn, Anne Loyacano
Offering Stewards	Ken Savitz, Debbie Ragucci

**SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY**

**Open: September 25, 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.

**SALVATION ARMY SHELTER VISITS Tuesday, September 26, 5pm.** 18 & older are welcome. Help by donating money, boxer briefs (sizes m-xxl), crew socks, treats & goodies.

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

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

**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.**

**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!

**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: 9.17.2023**

**Offerings last Sunday:**            \$ 7,299  
**Offerings Year to Date**            \$ 446,425  
**Walk by Faith as of August 31**    \$ 753,336



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



## 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, Bill Crain, Nancy Crain, Milton Creighton, Damico family, 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, Susan Roig, Salles families, Jessica Savitz, Scaglione family, Victor Serrano, Donna Smith, Austin Stephens, Paul Travis, Frank Tyler, Lynda Welter, Micki Weith, Virginia Williams, Susan Wymer, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Martha Woodward, Darcy, Jodi, John, *and those we name You.*

**JOY:** First Wednesday gatherings each month.

**COMMUNITY & SERVICE:** WELCA (Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America).

**COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH:** Mark Schwarzentraub, Wayne Varnes, Nick Frank, Loise Black, Carol Perkins, Joy Lehto, Richard Cooper, Bennett Long, Bill Nixon.

**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 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 SEPTEMBER 24– OCTOBER 1, 2023

**Sunday, September 24**    **17th Sunday of Pentecost**  
**WELCA Sunday**

**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 Year  
Praise Team Rehearsal  
**11:11am**    **Contemporary Worship**  
5:00pm    AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

#### Monday, September 25

**Noon**    **Via de Cristo Reunion Group** *library*  
**3-6pm**    **Food Pantry open**

#### Tuesday, September 26

1:30pm    Bible Study Small Group *The Cup*  
**5:00pm**    **Salvation Army Shelters Visit**  
6:00pm    MOPS *nursery*  
6:00pm    AL-ANON meeting *zoom*  
7:30pm    Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

#### Wednesday, September 27

11:00am    Alanon meeting  
4:00pm    Staff meeting  
5:30pm    Bell Choir Rehearsal  
6:30pm    Chancel Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, September 28

6:00pm    Praise Team Rehearsal  
7:30pm    Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

#### Friday, September 29

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

#### Saturday, September 30

11:00am    AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

### 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*

### PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

**Monday:** Psalm 119:97-104; Exodus 16:31-35; Romans 16:1-16. • **Tuesday:** Psalm 119:97-104; Numbers 11:1-9; Romans 16:17-20.

**Wednesday:** Psalm 119:97-104; Numbers 11:18-23, 31-32; Matthew 18:1-5.

**Thursday:** Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16; Isaiah 48:17-21; James 4:11-16.

**Friday:** Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16; Numbers 20:1-13; Acts 13:32-41. • **Saturday:** Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16; Numbers 27:12-14; Mark 11:27-33.

**18th Sunday of Pentecost:** Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32; Psalm 25:1-9; Philemon 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32.