

# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -

October 15, 2023 • 20th Sunday of Pentecost • Sermon Series on The Sacrament of Communion, Part Two

## OPENING

### PRELUDE

*Allegro from Sonata in C Major, Op. 40, No. 1*

*Liezel Rognsvoog, cello*

### GATHERING SONG

*All the People Said Amen  
It Is Well*

## WORD

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PARISH NEWS

#### BIBLE READING: Acts 27:13-44 *Pew Bible pg. #1023*

*In this exciting account of a storm at sea, Paul's faith and quick-thinking lead to safety.*

<sup>13</sup>When a moderate south wind began to blow, they thought they could achieve their purpose; so they weighed anchor and began to sail past Crete, close to the shore. <sup>14</sup>But soon a violent wind, called the northeaster, rushed down from Crete. <sup>15</sup>Since the ship was caught and could not be turned with its head to the wind, we gave way to it and were driven. <sup>16</sup>By running under the lee of a small island called Cauda we were scarcely able to get the ship's boat under control. <sup>17</sup>After hoisting it up they took measures to undergird the ship; then, fearing that they would run on the Syrtis, they lowered the sea-anchor and so were driven. <sup>18</sup>We were being pounded by the storm so violently that on the next day they began to throw the cargo overboard, <sup>19</sup>and on the third day with their own hands they threw the ship's tackle overboard. <sup>20</sup>When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days, and no small tempest raged, all hope of our being saved was at last abandoned.

<sup>21</sup>Since they had been without food for a long time, Paul then stood up among them and said, 'Men, you should have listened to me and not have set sail from Crete and thereby avoided this damage and loss. <sup>22</sup>I urge you now to keep up your courage, for there will be no loss of life among you, but only of the ship. <sup>23</sup>For last night there stood by me an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I worship, <sup>24</sup>and he said, "Do not be afraid, Paul; you must stand before the emperor; and indeed, God has granted safety to all those who are sailing with you." <sup>25</sup>So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will be exactly as I have been told. <sup>26</sup>But we will have to run aground on some island.'

<sup>27</sup>When the fourteenth night had come, as we were drifting across the sea of Adria, about midnight the sailors suspected that they were nearing land. <sup>28</sup>So they took soundings and found twenty fathoms; a little farther on they took soundings again and found fifteen fathoms. <sup>29</sup>Fearing that we might run on the rocks, they let down four anchors from the stern and prayed for day to come. <sup>30</sup>But when the sailors tried to escape from the ship and had lowered the boat into the sea, on the pretext of putting out anchors from the bow, <sup>31</sup>Paul said to the centurion and the soldiers, 'Unless these men stay in the ship, you cannot be saved.' <sup>32</sup>Then the soldiers cut away the ropes of the boat and set it adrift.

<sup>39</sup>In the morning they did not recognize the land, but they noticed a bay with a beach, on which they planned to run the ship ashore, if they could. <sup>40</sup>So they cast off the anchors and left them in the sea. At the same time they loosened the ropes that tied the steering-oars; then hoisting the foresail to the wind, they made for the beach. <sup>41</sup>But striking a reef, they ran the ship aground; the bow stuck and remained immovable, but the stern was being broken up by the force of the waves. <sup>42</sup>The soldiers' plan was to kill the prisoners, so that none might swim away and escape; <sup>43</sup>but the centurion, wishing to save Paul, kept them from carrying out their plan. He ordered those who could swim to jump overboard first and make for the land, <sup>44</sup>and the rest to follow, some on planks and others on pieces of the ship. And so it was that all were brought safely to land.

*OUR VISION*

To be an inspired body of Christ.



*OUR MISSION*

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

## THANKSGIVING

### SERMON SERIES ON THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION, PART TWO

*The Storm, The Ship and The Shore*

Pastor Bob Stelter

#### SERMON SONG

*Come As You Are*

#### SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

#### 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

#### THE CHARGE

Pastor: 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.**

#### BENEDICTION

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

**Congregation: Amen.**

#### SENDING SONG

*God So Loved*

#### DISMISSAL

Praise Band: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

*Flowers on the altar are given by Barbara & Dave Birkholz in honor of her mother, Rita Heavner.*

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

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*Founding Congregation of Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry • Stephen Ministry Congregation*

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

**Dr. Bob Stelter** — *Pastor*

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**Lynn Rognsvoog** — *Organist*

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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](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 CLASSES TODAY — 10:15AM**

**Adult Sunday School, led by John Woods.**

**Confirmation 3rd Year Class.**

**Children's Sunday School grades 5 & under.**

**Teen Sunday School grades 6-12. youth room**

**WEDNESDAY MUSIC REHEARSALS**

**HANDBELLS, 5:30pm ♦ CHANCEL CHOIR, 6:30pm**

**PRAISE TEAM REHEARSALS**

**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.

**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.

<b>WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY</b>	
<b>11:11am Contemporary</b>	
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Carrie Parrott, Scarlett Parrott
<b>Communion Ministers</b>	Lisa Stelter, Connie Rist, Leonie Manthey Kristie Turner, Vicki Adams
<b>Greeter</b>	Yvette Edwards
<b>Ushers</b>	Carol Nanney, Joanne Sills
<b>Offering Stewards</b>	Gary Mount, Debbie Ragucci

**SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY**

**Open Monday: 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.

**GUATEMALA DISCERNMENT MEETING, today, 10:15am.**

**VIA DE CRISTO WEEKEND, October 19-22 in Newport, TN.**

Pilgrims include Mary Beth Hallahan & Larry Koran.

**TRUNKS NEEDED FOR TRUNK-OR-TREAT Sunday, October 22,**

**5-7pm** at Farragut Presbyterian Church. RSVP to include your car trunk: [masonwarren@fpcn.org](mailto:masonwarren@fpcn.org).

**SALVATION ARMY SHELTER Visits Tuesday, October 24, 5pm.**

We carpool from church and will take your donations of men's boxer briefs (m-xl), snacks & treats. Contact Michael Lee at 865-405-6585 or Debbie Ragucci, 865-567-1945.

**KNOXVILLE OPERA GOSPEL CHOIR FREE CONCERT Sunday,**

**October 29, 5pm**, sponsored by Mildred Fenske in memory of her husband, Joe Yarnell. **Tickets are required.** Get your **free** tickets at: <https://tinyurl.com/KnoxGospelChoir>. Bring your friends & neighbors!

**FIRST WEDNESDAY DINNER & ACTIVITIES**

**Chili Cookoff Wednesday, November 1.**

**RSVP: <https://tinyurl.com/FirstWed110123>**



**UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

- **YOUTH 3RD SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH** Today, we join youth groups at Peace Lutheran Church for activities and fun!

**Noon-2pm: 3rd-5th grades (pack a lunch)**

**3-4:30pm: 6-12th grades.**

**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: 10.8.2023**

**Offerings last Sunday: \$ 6,502**

**Offerings Year to Date \$ 476,352**

**Walk by Faith—September 30 \$ 754,327**



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

**FRIENDS:** Jenna Barbee, Jane Barnes, Caroline Beavers, Beckwith/Gobel families, David Berdal, Valborg Berdal, Wilma & Vince Bermel, Marsha Bode, Mary Lou Bowling, Sharon Brokenshire, Leslie Ann Brown, Mrs. Buchanan, Ginger Cameron, Michael Carfi, Harold Chapel, Jack Cleve, Wanda Coffey, 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, Anne Galazin, Sandra & Joel Garber, Gregory Goodall, Gutelius family, John Hargrove, Ann Harville, Rita Heavner, Linda Holtz, Joy Hymmer, Jeremy Ketterling, Donna Knick, Anthony Koran, Barb Korsmo, Rob Keiser, Anthony Koran, Long family, Loyacano family, David Matthews, Paul Miller, Audra Tyler Moore, Bob Moore, Julie Moore, Reneé Morrow, Lee North, Dennis Oellig, Steve Penney, Fred Pleasant, Susan Roig, Salles families, Marilyn Savilisky, Jessica Savitz, Scaglione family, Terry Serrano, Victor Serrano, Jim Shea, Lynn Siegfried, Donna Smith, Austin Stephens, Paul Travis, Frank Tyler, Natalie Volz, Lynda Welter, Virginia Williams, Andrea Wilson, David Wright, Susan Wymer, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Martha Woodward, Anne, Caleb, Darcy, Daric, Hannah, Jodi, John, Mary, Michael *and those we name to You.*

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

**ENLIGHTENMENT:** Via de Cristo Pilgrims: Mary Beth Hallahan & Larry Koran, Jr. Volunteers: Pam Brown and Gary Mount. October 19—22.

**COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH:** Dallas Covington, Kevin Rogers, 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 Israel, Ukraine, Russia. 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 15-22, 2023

**Sunday, October 15** 20th Sunday of Pentecost

**9:00am** Traditional Worship *Sanctuary*  
**10:00am** Fellowship *The Cup*  
**10:15am** Guatemala Discernment Meeting  
Children's Sunday School *5th Grades & under*  
Teen Sunday School *Grades 6-12*  
Adult Sunday School  
Confirmation Class 3rd Year  
Praise Team Rehearsal  
**11:11am** Contemporary Worship  
**3:00pm** Sons of Norway *The Cup*  
**3:30pm** Gospel Choir Rehearsal *Sanctuary*  
**5:00pm** AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

**Monday, October 16**

**Noon** Via de Cristo Reunion Group *library*  
**3-5pm** Food Pantry Open  
**6:30pm** Property Team meeting

**Tuesday, October 17**

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

**Wednesday, October 18**

**10:00am** Anna Esther Circle *The Cup*  
**11:00am** Alanon meeting  
**4:00pm** Staff meeting  
**5:30pm** Bell Choir Rehearsal  
**6:30pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, October 19**

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

**Friday, October 20**

**7:00pm** Narcotics Anonymous Group *The Cup*

**Saturday, October 21**

**11:00am** AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

**Sunday, October 22** 21st Sunday of Pentecost

**9:00am** Traditional Worship *Sanctuary*  
**10:00am** Fellowship *The Cup*  
**10:15am** Deacons Meeting  
Children's Sunday School *5th Grades & under*  
Teen Sunday School *Grades 6-12*  
Adult Sunday School  
Confirmation Classes 1,2 & 3  
Praise Team Rehearsal  
**11:11am** Contemporary Worship  
**3:30pm** Gospel Choir Rehearsal *Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall*  
**5-7pm** Trunk or Treat *Farragut Presbyterian Church*  
**5:00pm** AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

### PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

**Monday:** Psalm 97; Exodus 32:15-35; Jude 17-25. • **Tuesday:** Psalm 97; Exodus 33:1-6; Philippians 3:13-4:1.  
**Wednesday:** Psalm 97; 2 Kings 17:7-20; John 6:25-35. • **Thursday:** Psalm 99; Exodus 33:7-11; 3 John 9-12  
**Friday:** Psalm 99; Exodus 31:1-11; 1 Peter 5:1-5. • **Saturday:** Psalm 99; Exodus 39:32-43; Matthew 14:1-12.  
**21st Sunday of Pentecost:** Isaiah 45:1-7; Psalm 96:1-13; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22.