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Prayer of the Day

**God of mercy, when this world seems overrun by evil all around us, remind us that your Son, Jesus, has conquered death and triumphed over sin and Satan. Help us to confront the evil that surrounds us and resides within us, turning it over to your transformative grace and mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading: Genesis 3:8-21

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-27

Faith Seeds ..... Laura Weikle  
Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them.

The Gospel Acclamation:

**“Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.”**

The Announcement of the Gospel: **“Glory to You, O Lord”**

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Response after the Gospel: **“Praise to You, O Christ”**

Sermon “The Heart of Romans: Anticipation!” Pastor Scott Grorud

Hymn ..... “My Heart Is Longing” ..... 326 Green

Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offering/Special Music

Prayers of the Church

The Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn ..... “In Heaven Above” ..... 330 Green

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***Baptized Today***  
Sunday, July 19, 2020, 10:10 service  
***Elliott John Thompson***  
son of Darren Thompson and Nikki Strother  
Sponsors: Chad & Brooke Thompson,  
David & Amanda Blaskowski,  
Mitchell Thompson and Samantha Schilling

## Important Notes!

- \*If you or anyone in your home feels at all unwell, please stay home and watch one of the broadcasts.
  - \*If you are anxious about gathering at the church, feel free to stay home for now.
  - \*According to current health guidelines, we do encourage you to print and bring your own copy of the bulletin through the summer to cut down on the contact passing them out entails. The bulletins can be found weekly on our Facebook page and website.
  - \*We ask family/household groups to maintain social distance when in the church and the park.
  - \*According to state guidelines, wearing a face mask is encouraged, but not required.
  - \*More information is available on Faith's Facebook page or in the church office.
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- ~ **Today's radio broadcast** is sponsored by Tim and Megan Piehl in honor of their 15<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.
  - ~ **The altar flowers** were given today by Dan and Donna Moe in honor of their 39<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.
  - ~ **Lectionary Texts for next week:** Deuteronomy 7:6-9, Romans 8:28-39 and Matthew 13:44-52
  - ~ **Caregiver Support Group:** This group will resume meeting again on Thursday, July 30, at 4 p.m. in the Faith Center. If you are stressed out from caring for a family member, please join us. Newcomers are welcome! This may be your opportunity for relief, healing and renewal.
  - ~ **Ministry Teams and Church Council** will meet this Tuesday, July 21, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Faith Center and via zoom.
  - ~ **Thank You** – Beverly Kirchner wanted to send a thank you to those who picked her name and sent her surprise cards in the mail. What a blessing it has been to the recipients of these special notes! Thank you to everyone who picked a name and mailed a note. If you still have a card at home it is not too late to send one (or send another).
  - ~ **Volunteers Needed:** Summer is here! Could you and/or your family devote ONE Sunday morning to help at outdoor worship? We need your help handing out bulletins, serving communion, and setting up/tearing down equipment. We can't do it alone! Please contact Marsha or Will for more information at [marshas@faithlc.com](mailto:marshas@faithlc.com) or [willh@faithlc.com](mailto:willh@faithlc.com). Thank you!

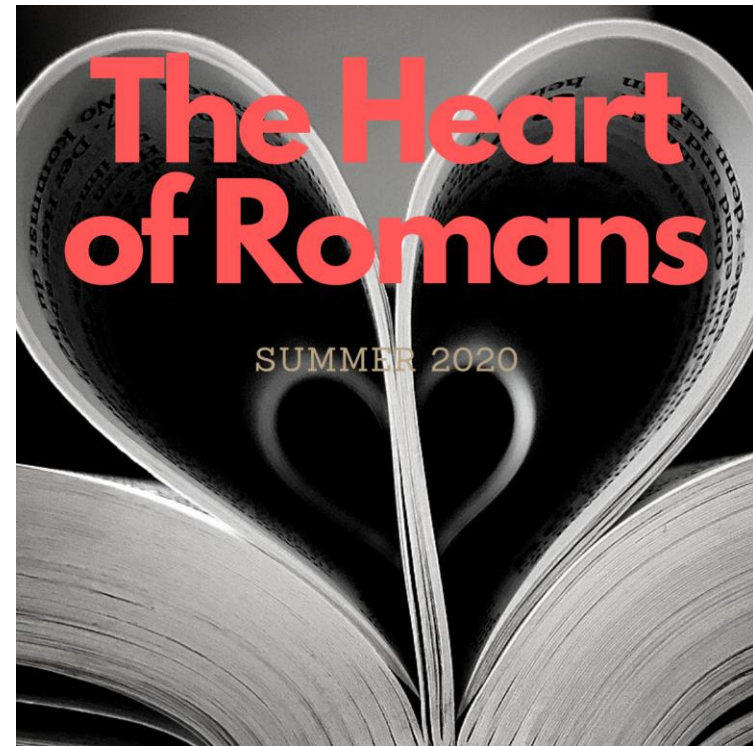
# Faith Lutheran Church LCMC

Hutchinson, Minnesota, MN

July 19, 2020

8:00 a.m. First Word

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



## **“What Does This Mean?”**

Questions about Today's Worship Theme:  
Romans 8:18-27

- † What is exciting about anticipation? What is stressful about it?
- † Why does Paul focus on anticipation at this point in Romans?
- † What does creation itself anticipate? Why is that?
- † According to Paul, why is Christian anticipation exciting, but not ultimately stressful?