

Prelude  
Greeting/Announcements  
Hymn ..... “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” ..... 771 Blue  
Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness ..... pg. 77 Green  
Kyrie .....pg 78 Green  
Hymn of Praise ..... “Blessed Assurance” ..... 699 Blue

Prayer of the Day  
**Lord God, use our lives to touch the world with your love.  
Stir us, by your Spirit, to be neighbor to those in need,  
serving them with willing hearts; through your Son, Jesus  
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

First Reading: Deuteronomy 7:6-9

Second Reading: Romans 8:28-39

Faith Seeds ..... Niki Pokornowski  
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 13:44-52

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

Sermon “The Heart of Romans: The Power of Love”  
Pastoral Intern Jeff Amundson

Hymn ... “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” ..... 315 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 ..... “Jesus Loves Me” ..... Sharon Barton

Prayers of the Church

The Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn ..... “Now Thank We All Our God” ..... 534 Green

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**Baptized Today**

Sunday, July 26, 2020, 10:10 service

***Henrik Giovanni Richard Merkins***

son of Andrew Merkins and Shannon Timperio

Sponsors: Thomas Wangerin and Brandy Rise

***Treydon Allen Mackedanz***

son of Anthony and Tayja Mackedanz

Sponsors: Jeremy & Marysa Anderson and Mike & Brittany Hill

## 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 now mandated, with some exceptions.
- \*More information is available on Faith's Facebook page or in the church office.

- ~ **Today's radio broadcast** is sponsored by Mike and Karna Blake in honor of their wedding anniversary and in memory of loved ones.
- ~ **Lectionary Texts for next week:** Isaiah 55:1-5, Romans 9:1-13 and Matthew 14:13-21
- ~ **Faith Matters Assembly:** Meet in the Faith Center this Tuesday at 9 a.m.
- ~ **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.
- ~ **Martin Luther on Trial:** "A virtual presentation by the Fellowship of Performing Arts of this acclaimed production of an afterlife trial for the soul of Martin Luther at Lucifer's request. A fantastical courtroom drama featuring Hitler, Freud, MLK Jr. and Pope Francis as witnesses. All this and a thorough examination of Luther's life and his loving relationship with Katie. Plus, a live talkback with Max McLean following the presentation." This free event will be on Sunday, August 2, from 3-6 p.m. We will show it in the Faith Center. Registration is limited to the first 45 people who contact the church office. You can find more information or register to watch it at home by registering at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)
- ~ **Celebration of Life for Mick Wigen:** Please join the Wigen family Friday, August 7, at an open house from 4-7 p.m. at the Crow River Country Club. Honor Mick by wearing Vikings, Twins, Gophers or tropical attire.
- ~ **Faith Family Fun is Back with Faith Day at the Lake:** Are you ready to get out of the house and have a little fun with the family? You are invited to Piepenburg Park on Sunday, August 9, from 3-6 p.m. At 4 p.m., there will be a Corn Hole Tournament (register at worship today to be placed in the brackets), 5 p.m. is dinner (please pack your own food and drink), other activities will include tie dye (bring your own shirt), swimming, frisbee, sponge and water bucket relay, and more.

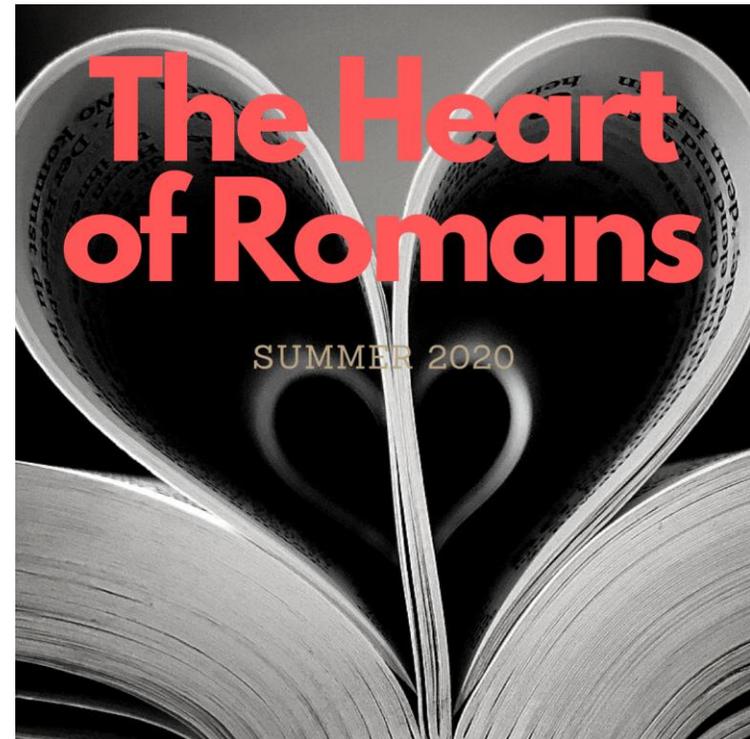
# Faith Lutheran Church LCMC

Hutchinson, Minnesota, MN

July 26, 2020

8:00 a.m. First Word

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost



### **"What Does This Mean?"**

Questions about Today's Worship Theme:  
Romans 8:28-39

- † What are some of the things we worry will separate us from God? How does this word of promise ring through our doubts and fears?
- † How do we feel about being selected by God? Do we have comfort in this selection? Can we become overconfident being one of the selected?
- † Why do we fail in applying God's love? Why must we hear the message of the promise over and over? Why do we doubt?