Faith Lutheran Church LCMC

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Gathering Music "Come Thou Fount"

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; Praise His name—I'm fixed upon it – Name of God's redeeming love.

Hither to Thy love has blest me; Thou hast bro't me to this place; And I know Thy hand will bring me safely home by Thy good grace. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, bought me with His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, o, take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above. CCLI Song No. 5252996 CCLI License No. 1585683 © 2002 Hearts to God Music, Inc. Don Chapman | Robert Robinson

"Lord, I Need You"

Lord I come, I confess, bowing here I find my rest. And without You I fall apart. You're the one that guides my heart.

Chorus: Lord I need You, oh I need You, ev'ry hour I need You. My one defense my righteousness, oh God how I need You.

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more; Where grace is found is where You are. And where You are Lord I am free, Holiness is Christ in me Where You are Lord I am free, Holiness is Christ in me.

So teach my song to rise to You when temptation comes my way. And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You; Jesus You're my hope and stay. And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You; Jesus You're my hope and stay. CCLI Song # 5925687

Greeting/Announcements

Song "How Great Thou Art"

Oh Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain*

But when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scare can take it in, That on the cross my burden gladly bearing. He bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain*

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" *Refrain*

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Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P: Most merciful God,
- C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name, Amen.
- P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a fellow member of the priesthood of all believers and by the authority of Jesus Christ I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

Song "Reckless Love"

Before I spoke a word You were singing over me. You have been so, so good to me. Before I took a breath You breathed your life in me. You have been so, so kind to me.

Chorus: O, the overwhelming, never ending reckless love of God. O, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine. I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, still you give yourself away. O, the overwhelming, never ending reckless love of God.

When I was your foe, still your love fought for me. You have been so, so good to me. When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me. You have been so, so kind to me. *Chorus*

There's no shadow You won't light up, Mountain you won't climb up, coming after me. There's no wall you won't kick down, Lie you won't tear down, coming after me. *Repeat - Chorus*

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Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, through your Son, Jesus Christ, you gave the holy apostles many gifts and bound them together in the Church, the very Body of Christ. Hold us also in that holy fellowship that extends across space and time. Through your Church, equip us with the gifts we need to witness boldly to the power of Jesus' forgiveness and the hope of the resurrection to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

First Reading: Acts 2:37-47

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved. Second Reading: Ephesians 4: 7, 11-16

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Faith Seeds Allyssa Reid, Summer Intern

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

The Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia"

Alleluia, alleluia to you alone. Lord, to whom shall we go? You alone have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, to you alone.

Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me'— for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Sermon "Essential Church" Pastor Scott Grorud

Song "Promises"

God of Abraham You're the God of covenant, of faithful promises. Time and time again You have proven You do just what You say.

Chorus: Though the storms may come and the winds may blow, I'll remain steadfast and let my heart learn when You speak a word it will come to pass. Great is Your faithfulness to me; Great is Your faithfulness to me. From the rising sun to the setting same I will praise Your name. Great is Your faith fulness to me.

God from age to age, Though the earth may pass away Your word remains the same, yeah, Your history can prove there's nothing You can't do. You're faithful and true. *Chorus*

I put my faith in Jesus, my anchor to the ground, my hope and firm foundation, He'll never let me down. *Repeat - Chorus* CCLI Song # 7149439 Aaron Moses | Dante Bowe | Joe L. Barnes | Keila Alvarado | Lemuel Marin | Phillip Carrington Gaines © 2020 Bethel Worship Publishing (Admin. by Bethel Music Publishing)

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 "Yes I Will"

I count on one thing, the same God that never fails will not fail me now. You won't fail me now. In the waiting the same God who's never late Is working all things out. You're working all things out.

Chorus: Yes I will lift You high in the lowest valley. Yes I will bless Your name. Yes I will sing for joy when my heart is heavy. All my days yes I will.

For all my days. Yes I will.

I choose to praise, To glorify, glorify the name of all names that nothing can stand against. *Repeat x3 - Chorus*

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Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Benediction

Sending Song "The Blessing"

The Lord bless you, and keep you, make his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you. The Lord turn his face toward you, and give you peace.

Chorus: Amen. Amen. Amen.

May his favor be upon you and a thousand generations, and your family, And your children, and their children, and their children. May his presence go before you, and behind you, and beside you All around you, and within you. He is with you. He is with you. In the morning, In the evening, In your coming and your going In your weeping and rejoicing He is for you, He is for you. He is for you. He is for you.

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"What Does This Mean?"

Questions about Today's Worship Theme: Acts 2:37-47

- ✤ Why could this Sunday be a fourth straight festival on the church calendar?
- ✤ Why was the founding of the Church the natural outcome of Pentecost?
- ✤ What four elements marked the life of the Church then and now?
- ✤ Why is regular participation in the life of the Church essential for Christians?