

Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn “O God, My Faithful God” 504 LBW

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness pg. 77 LBW

Kyrie pg. 78 LBW

Hymn of Praise “Jesus Shall Reign” 530 LBW

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses. Grant that we, encouraged by the example of your servants Paul and Silas, may persevere in the course that is set before us, to be living signs of the Gospel and at last, with all the saints, to share in your eternal joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading Jeremiah 29:1-14

Second Reading Acts 16:16-40

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..... Luke 23:1-5, 13-25

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

Sermon ... “Wise Doves and Innocent Serpents” Pastor Scott Grorud

Hymn “If You But Trust in God to Guide You” 453 LBW

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

Offertory Response

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

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

Closing Hymn “Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling” 381 LBW

Faith Lutheran Church (LCMC)

Hutchinson, MN
8:00 a.m. First Word
August 21, 2022

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

What Does This Mean?"

Questions about Today's Worship Theme:
Acts 16:16-40

- † What does it mean for Christians to be wise as serpents and innocent as doves?
- † In what ways did Paul seem more to be a wise dove and an innocent serpent?
- † In Paul's decisions and in how God directed him, what was the constant goal?
- † How can Paul's example help us to live as Christians in a secular world?

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