

Faith Lutheran Church (LCMC)

Hutchinson, Minnesota

8:00 a.m. First Word Service

September 14, 2025

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

What Does This Mean?

1. Why is the context for the two parables in Luke 15 so important?
2. What was so significant about Jesus eating a meal with tax collectors and sinners?
3. Why is it honest and important to admit that many people are lost and need to be found?
4. As we give witness to the good news of Christ, where do our hope and assurance lie?

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Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” LBW #499

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness LBW pg. 77

Prayer of the Day

O Lord, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Guard your people against the infection of the evil one so that we may follow you with pure hearts, our only Lord and Savior. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Lesson Ezekiel 34:11-24

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson I Timothy 1:12-17

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Faith Seeds Payton Eastman

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 15:1-10

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

Sermon “Pursuing the Lost” Pastor Scott Grorud

Hymn “O Christ, Our Light, O Radiance True” LBW #380

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 ... “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

LBW #565 Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711 Tune: Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510-1561

Prayers of the Church

The Words of Institution

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.

The Distribution “Lamb of God” LBW pg. 92

Communion LBW #448, WOV #734, and LBW #456

Benediction

Closing Hymn ... “Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us” ... LBW #424