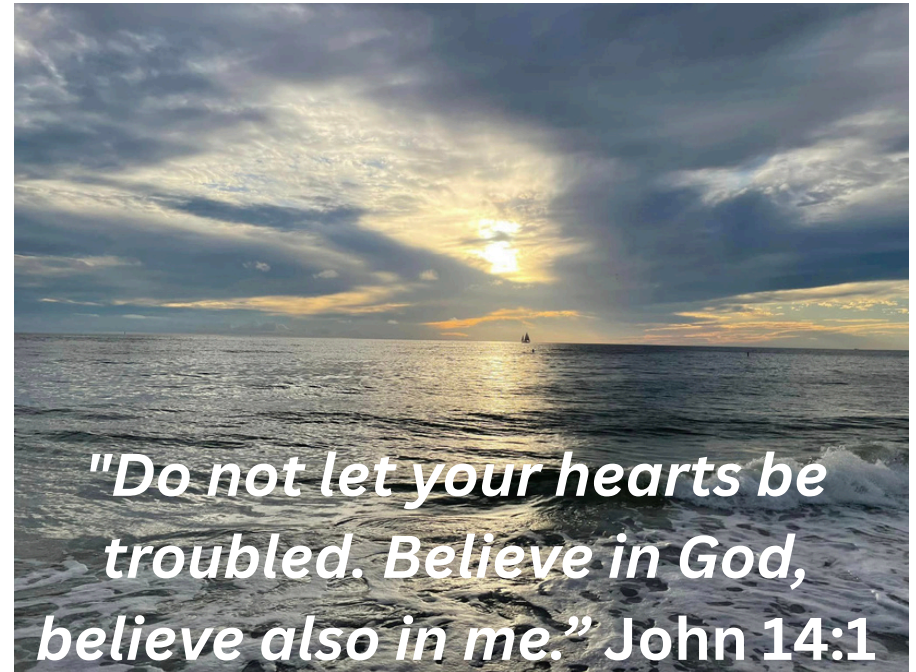


**Faith Lutheran Church
Hutchinson, MN
8:00 a.m. First Word Service
May 3, 2026
Fifth Sunday of Easter
and
*“Bless the Years Sunday”***

What Does This Mean?

1. What suggested the theme: **YOU HAVE A GOOD LIFE?**
2. What things **CAN'T** make a good life?
3. **WHO** gives a good life?
4. **HOW** does He make it a good life?



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Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn “This Is My Father’s World” LBW #554

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness LBW pg. 77

Prayer of the Day

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading Acts 6:1-9, 7:2a, 51-60

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading I Peter 2:2-10

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Faith Seeds Faith Lutheran Puppets

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.”

Gospel Reading John 14:1-14

Sermon “You Have a Good Life” Pastor Paulus Pilgrim

Hymn “You Are the Way” LBW #464

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering/Special Music “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”
Ronda Eckhart and Austin Willhite

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: Doxology

Prayers of the Church

The Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

The Distribution “Lamb of God” LBW pg. 92

Communion LBW #448, 532, and 346

Benediction

Closing Hymn “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” LBW #320