Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church

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But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.

-2 Corinthians 4:7

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

August 17, 2014

Organist: Lane Fischer

Welcome to all those who have come to worship with us this

morning! We pray that you will receive God's announcement to you that your sins have been forgiven through Jesus, who is *"The Way, the Truth, and the Life"* – the ONLY Savior from sin and eternal death.



Visitors, please sign our guest register at the back of the church and come and worship with us again. You are always welcome at Faith!

ণ <u>This Week at Faith</u> ণ

Today:	8/17 -	10:45 A.M.	Worship at Faith
		12:00 P.M.	Council Meeting
Thurs.	8/21 -	2:00 P.M.	Women of Faith Meeting
Sunday	: 8/24 -	10:45 A.M.	Worship at Faith

Pre-Service Devotion: 2 Corinthians 5:20 (NKJV)

Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God.

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The Order of Worship

Bells - - - Opening Prayer

Hymn 360 - Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Pastor: We begin our service in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **People:** Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God, our Father, imploring Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord!

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. **People:** And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will, and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that, by Thy grace, we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Pastor: The Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

People: Amen.

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Prayer for the Day **People:** Amen.

1st Scripture Reading – Proverbs 3:1-7

¹ My son, do not forget my law, But let your heart keep my commands; ² For length of days and long life And peace they will add to you. ³ Let not mercy and truth forsake you; Bind them around your neck, Write them on the tablet of your heart, ⁴ And so find favor and high esteem In the sight of God and man. ⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; ⁶ In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths. ⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the LORD and depart from evil.

Pastor: Alleluia, alleluia! ... *The word of the LORD is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.* (Psalm 18:30) Alleluia! **People:** *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

2nd Scripture Reading – Luke 22:24-30

People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

²⁴ Now there was also a dispute among them, as to which of them should be considered the greatest. ²⁵ And He said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those who exercise authority over them are called 'benefactors.' ²⁶ But not so among you; on the contrary, he who is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he who governs as he who serves. ²⁷ For who is greater, he who sits at the table, or he who serves? Is it not he who sits at the table? Yet I am among you as the One who serves. ²⁸ But you are those who have continued with Me in My trials. ²⁹ And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed one upon Me, ³⁰ that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

> Pastor: Here ends our 2nd Scripture reading. **People:** *Praise be to Thee, O Christ!*

The Apostles' Creed -- Hymnal, pg. 12

Hymn 433 - Jesus, My Truth, My Way

The Sermon – 2 Corinthians 4:5-7

5 For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake. 6 For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.

Theme: We preach Christ Jesus the Lord!

Ι. In Earthen Vessels

We do not preach ourselves

We are servants (of Christ and one another)

We have this treasure П.

Conversion - a miracle worked by God

The power is from God

The Offertory

Create in me a clean heart. O God. And renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Hvmn 769 - Lift High the Cross

The Offering

Praver + The Lord's Praver + The Benediction

All: Amen, amen, amen!

Hymn 401 - Praise to Thee and Adoration

Silent Prayer

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Announcements

Pastor Mayhew's Contact Information - You can contact Pastor



Mayhew by calling the office/parsonage at (507) 794-7793 or on his cell phone at (404) 729-4602. You may also reach him by email at ndmayhew@juno.com. You are also welcome to stop by and visit him at the parsonage office.

Member visitations - Pastor Mayhew has been working to make visitations to all the members of Faith and Grace in the last week. Please get in touch with him to let him know when would be a convenient time for him to stop by and get to know you and your family.

The Women of Faith will be meeting this Thursday afternoon at 2:00pm here at church. Any women of the congregation are invited to attend. There will be a devotion by the pastor, as well as discussion for upcoming opportunities to serve. Please join us!

Fall Schedule - In September we will be resuming our fall schedule. Bible Class and Sunday School will begin on Sunday, September 7th at 8:00am. Please plan to join us for Bible Class and Sunday Sunday Morning School this fall!



Bible Study

Bible Class Topics - If you have any topics you would like to see studied and discussed in Bible Class this year, please let Pastor Mayhew know. A suggestion sheet has been printed up and placed on the table at the back of the sanctuary. You may write your Bible Class topic suggestion there, or speak with Pastor Mayhew.



CLC Call News - St. Paul Lutheran, Lakewood Colorado, has called Pastor Andrew Schaller of Trinity Lutheran, Watertown, and Zion Lutheran, Hidewood Twp. South Dakota. † Living Word Lutheran, Blue Springs Missouri, has called Pastor Timothy Wheaton of Mt. Olive Lutheran, Lamar Colorado. † Pastor Delwyn Maas has accepted the call to Gift of God Lutheran, Mapleton North Dakota. † Pastor Joel Fleischer of Calvary Lutheran (Marquette, Michigan)



has accepted the call to Berea Lutheran, Sioux Falls South Dakota. † Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire, Wisconsin, has called Pastor Luke Bernthal of Grace/Peace/St. Paul's Lutheran, Valentine Nebraska/

Mission/White River South Dakota, to be its third pastor. † Zion Lutheran, Lawrenceville Georgia has called Pastor John Hein of Grace Lutheran, Fridley Minnesota. †

CLC News - St. Paul congregation of Bismarck plans to celebrate its 25th Anniversary on Sunday, September 7th, beginning with a 10:00 a.m. service, with a meal and program to follow. **†**

Responding to God's Grace at Faith:				
Attendance: 33				
Unified Budget	\$ 244.00			
Total	\$ 244.00			

