

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

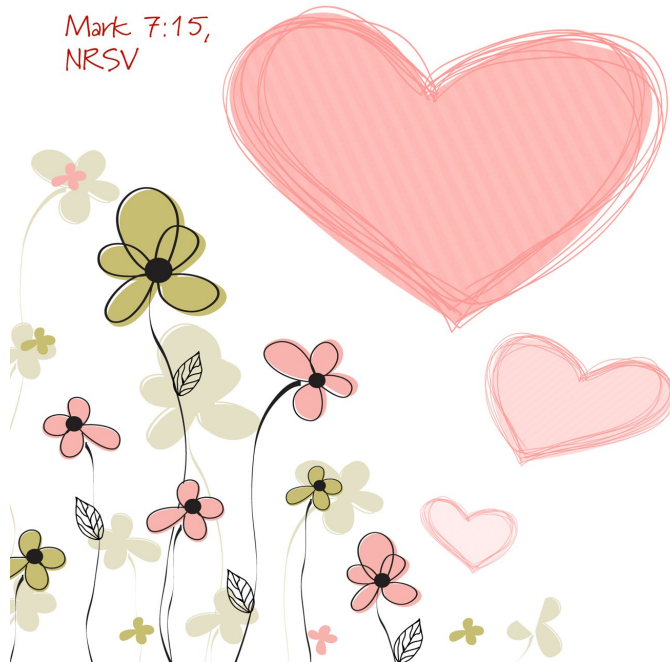
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Lectionary 22

Faith Lutheran Church, ELCA

September 1, 2024

*There is nothing outside a  
person that by going in can  
defile, but the things that  
come out are what defile.*

*Mark 7:15,  
NRSV*



## Welcome

*And thank you for worshipping with us today.*

**If you are a visitor**, we are so glad you came! We hope that you will fill out a yellow or green card in your pew and either drop it in the offering plate or leave it at the *Welcome Place* as you leave today. We hope to see you again soon!

**Children of all ages are welcome in our worship service** and will learn to participate at a young age if present. If your child needs to leave for all or part of the service, a fully staffed nursery is available at both services for infants through age five. The nursery is located in the lower level of the church. Please ask an usher if you need help locating it.

If you have a **prayer request** or would like a **pastoral visit**, please fill out a green card in your pew and place it in the offering plate.

Adults and children who receive **Holy Communion** in their home church are invited to receive the sacrament with us. All others are invited to the table to receive a blessing. We use **grape wine** and **wheat bread**. Gluten free wafers are available (please let Pastor know when you come forward if you need one). The fullness of the sacrament is available in either form: if for reasons of health or conscience, you can only receive the bread or the wine, please let Pastor know.

After each morning service we invite you to join us for **refreshments and conversation** in the gathering area adjacent to the worship area.

In order to **prepare for worship**, please:

keep **silence** for 10 minutes prior to worship for prayer and meditation.

**silence** all electronic devices.

**refrain from talking** during the **prelude**, which is the beginning of our worship service.

## Our Mission

*As followers of Jesus Christ, we embrace, reflect and proclaim God's unconditional love.*

## Our Vision

To provide an active and visible Lutheran presence in the Lexington area by:

maintaining our doctrinal, spiritual, and liturgical heritage;

creating a community of disciples committed to growing in their spiritual lives;

engaging in a vigorous lifestyle of evangelism;

working to preserve the dignity of all God's people.

**Prelude**      *Praeludium in F*      Johann Ludwig Krebs (1713-1780)

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

*We stand. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

In the name of the Father, and of the ✚ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*We kneel or stand.*

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

*We stand.*



FORGIVEN



1 A - wake, my soul, and with the sun thy  
 2 All praise to thee, who safe hast kept and  
 3 Lord, I my vows to thee re - new. Dis -  
 4 Di - rect, con - trol, sug - gest, this day, all  
 5 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise



dai - ly stage of du - ty run; shake off dull sloth, and  
 hast re - freshed me while I slept. Grant, Lord, when I from  
 perse my sins as morn - ing dew; guard my first springs of  
 I de - sign or do or say, that all my pow'rs, with  
 God, all crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye



joy - ful rise to pay thy morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 death shall wake, I may of end - less light par - take.  
 thought and will; and with thy - self my spir - it fill.  
 all their might, in thy sole glo - ry may u - nite.  
 heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt.

Music: MORNING HYMN, François H. Barthélemon, 1741–1808

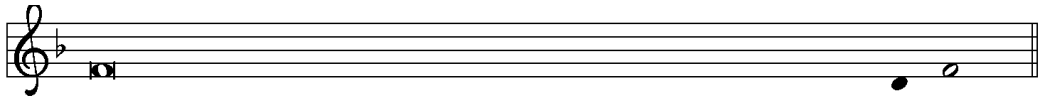
## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## Kyrie



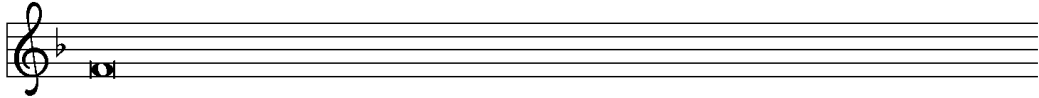
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



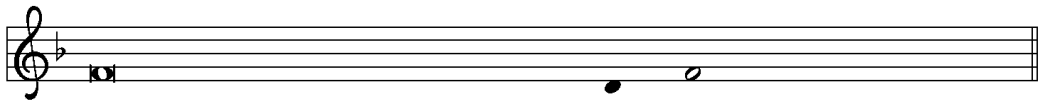
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



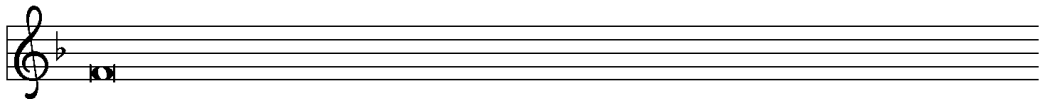
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



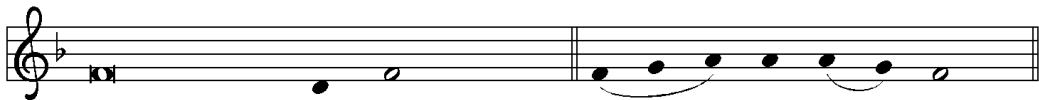
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



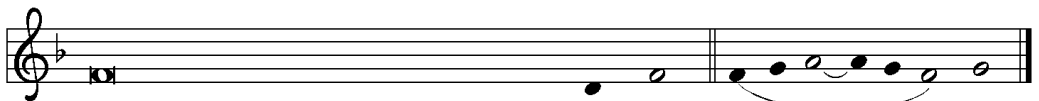
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,




let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

## Canticle of Praise

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## Prayer of the Day

### First Reading

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

*A sign of a great nation*

<sup>1</sup>So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. <sup>2</sup>You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

<sup>6</sup>You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" <sup>7</sup>For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? <sup>8</sup>And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

<sup>9</sup>But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

The word of the Lord or Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalmody

Psalm 15

*(Cantor sings verses; assembly sings refrain.)*

Refrain:



The just will live in the pres-ence of the Lord.

### Second Reading

James 1:17-27

*Be Doers of the word*

<sup>17</sup>Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. <sup>18</sup>In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. <sup>19</sup>You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; <sup>20</sup>for your anger does not produce God's righteousness.

<sup>21</sup>Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. <sup>22</sup>But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. <sup>23</sup>For if any are hearers of the

word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; <sup>24</sup>for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. <sup>25</sup>But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. <sup>26</sup>If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. <sup>27</sup>Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

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*We stand to welcome the reading of the Gospel.*

### **Gospel Acclamation**

The musical score consists of two systems, each with a Soprano line (treble clef) and a Bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are: "Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The music is in a simple, melodic style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first system ends with a double bar line, and the second system continues the melody and accompaniment.

Music: "Alleluia 7," Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994, and the Taizé Community  
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*(cantor) God gave us birth by the word of truth so that we would become a kind of first fruits of creation. (Repeat alleluia.)*

**Gospel** Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 *Authentic religion*

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around [Jesus], <sup>2</sup>they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. <sup>3</sup>(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; <sup>4</sup>and



they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.)<sup>5</sup> So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?”<sup>6</sup> He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; <sup>7</sup>in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.’<sup>8</sup> You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

<sup>14</sup>Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: <sup>15</sup>there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. <sup>21</sup>“For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, <sup>22</sup>adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. <sup>23</sup>All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We sing the acclamation and then we sit.*

**Sermon** Pastor Dana Lockhart

*We stand to proclaim the word of God in song.*

**Hymn of the Day** ELW 772 *Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways*



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways to keep his stat - utes still!  
2 Or - der my foot - steps by your word and make my heart sin - cere;  
3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, a strict - er watch to keep;  
4 Make me to walk in your com - mands, 'tis a de - light - ful road;



Oh, that my God would grant me grace to know and do his will!  
let sin have no do - min - ion, Lord, but keep my con - science clear.  
and should I e'er for - get your way, re - store your wan - d'ring sheep.  
nor let my head or heart or hands of - fend a - gainst my God.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

Music: EVAN, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

## Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Prayers of Intercession

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

## Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*We share the peace of Christ with one another and then sit.*

## Welcome and Announcements

### (11:00) Choral Offering

*Strengthen for Service*

Robert A. Hobby

Parish Choir

*Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands, that holy things have taken; and let the ears that heard your word to falsehood never waken.*

*The tongues that sang you holy name now purge of all deception; keep bright the eyes that saw your love and sharpen their perception.*

*And may the feet that walked your courts be never lured to wander; but lead the faithful nourished here to journey on in splendor.*

*We stand.*

### Offering Song ACS 962      *In This Feast of Love*



Täs - sä    pöy - däs - sä,                    täs - sä  
1    In    this    feast    of    love,                    in    this  
2    In    this    bread    and    wine,                    in    this  
3    Grant    us    peace,    O    Lord,                    grant    us



pöy - däs - sä    syn - ti - sil - le  
feast    of    love,                                    Lord,    you    share    your  
bread    and    wine,                                you    have    prom - ised,  
peace,    O    Lord;                                fill    us    with    the



*it - se - si an - nat, Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa!*  
 blood and your bod - y, Je - sus, Lamb of God.  
 Lord, to be with us, Lamb . . of God div - ine.  
 joy of your Spir - it, ev - er - liv - ing Word.

Text: Jarkko Maukonen; tr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954  
 Music: TÄSSÄ PÖYDÄSSÄ, Jarkko Maukonen; arr. Mark Sedio  
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**Offering Prayer**  
**Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
 Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**  
 It is indeed right...join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert, 1797–1828; adapt. Richard Proulx, b. 1937  
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## Eucharistic Prayer

### 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. 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, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

### Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to Communion

In Christ’s presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

### Music during Communion

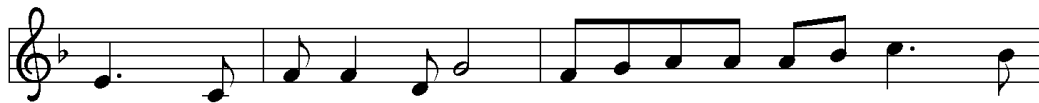
*Lamb of God*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Chosen in Christ, Blessed in Christ (Cantor sings verses; assembly sings refrain.)*

Cho - sen in Christ, blessed in Christ, sent by  
 Christ in praise of God's glo - ry.

*When all have communed, we stand.*

**Post Communion Prayer**

**Blessing**

## Sending Hymn

ELW 328

*Restore in Us, O God*



- 1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen - dor of your love; re -
- 2 O Spir - it, wake in us the won - der of your pow'r; from
- 3 Bring us, O Christ, to share the full - ness of your joy; bap -
- 4 Three - per - soned God, ful - fill the prom - ise of your grace, that



new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.  
fruit - less fear un - furl our lives like spring - time bud and flow'r.  
tize us in the ris - en life that death can - not de - stroy.  
we, when all our search - ing ends, may see you face to face.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: BAYLOR, Hal H. Hopson, b. 1933

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## Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor. **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

*The Will of God Is Always Best*

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

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## Serving Today

Assisting Minister	Shane Hadden
Organist/Pianist	Kathy Egner
Cantor	Leslie Hughes
Ushers	(8:30) William & Carolyn Holmes (11:00) Gordon Grotrian & David Templar
Greeter	(8:30) Julie Keller (11:00) Gisela Atkerson
Sacristan	(8:30) Julie Keller (11:00) Phyllis Hasbrouck
Counters	Teri Applegate & Carol Buchanan
Livestream Operator	Jonathan Delap
Ministers	All Members of Faith
Pastor	The Reverend Dana Lockhart
Pastor Emeritus	The Reverend Ron Luckey
Parish Administrator	Amanda Nord
Director of Music	Kathy Egner
Youth Assistant	Paige Barricklow
Faith Learning Center Director	Courtney Herald
Sexton	Neil McComb

## Worship Servants for Next Sunday (September 8)

	<b>8:30</b>	<b>11:00</b>
Assisting Minister	Judy Page	Judy Page
Ushers	Charlie Hamilton & Richard Michel	Ellie Burnside & David Templar
Greeter	Val Dutcher	Carolyn Carden
Sacristan	Phyllis Hasbrouck	Phyllis Hasbrouck
Counters	Penni Black & Carol Buchanan	
Livestream Operator		Debbie Rosenberg

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## New Members Class

Sundays: 10 AM beginning September 8th at Faith House

Faith Lutheran receives and recognizes new members through Affirmation of Baptism periodically through the year. The next opportunity for reception will be on Reformation Sunday (October 27th). There will also be an opportunity on Baptism of our Lord Sunday (January 12th), ahead of the annual meeting. Each fall, we organize a "new members class." This is an opportunity for newcomers to get better acquainted with the congregation (and the congregation with them) and to provide an introduction or refresher on the distinctive Lutheran emphases within Christianity. All members of Faith (both new and longstanding) are encouraged to participate and this year we will be asking for people to serve as a sponsor for our new members. We will also be asking committees/ministries to come and share about their work within the congregation. For more information, please contact Pastor Dana.

## Property Day—Saturday, September 7 from 8am-12pm

### GOALS

- NO MULCH!
- Weeding
- Small tree and bush trimming
- General property clean up

### TOOLS SUGGESTED

- Pruning Shears
- Loppers
- Hedge Trimmers
- Extension cords
- Rakes
- Trowels
- Gloves
- Knee pads
- Electric/Gas saws
- Machetes, etc

**COOL drinks and donuts provided!**

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## Long-Range Planning Committee Meeting

The Long-Range Planning Committee will meet on Thursday, September 5 at 6:00 pm in the Narthex at Faith Church. If you a member of the committee or are interested in what our church is planning for the future, please make plans to attend!

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## THIS WEEK AT FAITH

### Sunday, September 1

- 8:30am In-Person Worship
- 11:00am In-Person/Livestream Worship
- 5:00pm FLY Craft Night

### Monday, September 2

- 6:15pm AA

### Wednesday, September 4

- 6:00pm AA (Faith House)
- 7:00pm Parish Choir

### Thursday, September 5

- 7:15am Men's Group (First Watch)
- 6:00pm Long-Range Planning Mtg

### Saturday, September 7

- 8:00am Property Day
- 10:00am Visuals Team

### Sunday, September 8

- 8:30am In-Person Worship
- 10:00am New Members Class
- 11:00am In-Person/Livestream Worship
- 12:00pm Young Adult Lunch
- 1:00pm Confirmation