

All Saints Sunday 8:00 am worship service

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH | Inviting, Growing, Serving...

Becoming fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

November 2, 2025

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Faith is a growing faith community in the Aurora area. We're people just like you, who are hungry to know God better. We're looking for the answers to life's tough questions. We're struggling to be better parents, spouses, friends, and neighbors. We don't have all the answers but we're growing as we go.

Faith is a great place to find healing for broken hearts and broken lives. In every Sunday message you'll learn new skills and attitudes to help you live life with the kind of joy that God intends for us. You'll also meet people who are also growing in their journey through the joys and challenges of life. You'll find lots of "walking partners" for your journey here. There are no closed doors at Faith, just lots of opportunities to grow in Christ, friendship, and love.

Faith is a church with a great vision; however, accomplishing a great vision requires the participation of many great people like you. There's a place in our vision for you to use your unique gifts and talents.

CURRENT WORSHIP SERIES: BUILDING YOUR BEST LIFE

Change is something that most of us know we need, but few of us understand how to get it. We need more than willpower. We need God's power in our lives. In this series based on Galatians 5:22-23, we will explore the qualities that God's Spirit produces in us when we walk with Jesus – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control – so that we can live our best lives!

The Gathering

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

For All the Saints | ELW #422

please stand



GREETING

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

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HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray,

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Word

FIRST READING Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

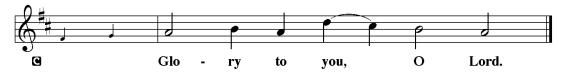
SECOND READING Colossians 3: 12-14

Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION please stand



P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 6th chapter.



GOSPEL Luke 6:20-31

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

- "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
- "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.
- "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

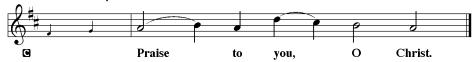
"Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

- "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.
- "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.
- "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

"But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

Gentleness | Pastor Rob

HYMN OF THE DAY

please stand



PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: God of all that is, delight in the praises of your people and revive the spirit of your church. Move through us with boldness so that we proclaim the gospel of Christ throughout the world. Renew and revive pastors, deacons, and lay leaders. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God of the beginning, give us the courage to advocate for environmental policy that will ensure a viable future for generations to come. Restore desolate places to health and flourishing. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God of comfort in troubled times, we pray for those in need of protection and care. Trusting that you are constant in mercy, protect those who seek safety and solace. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God of what is yet to come, encourage and inspire those who give their time, talent, and treasure in service to your church. By their commitment, further the work of ministry in this place and uplift your gospel. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Gracious and loving God, we pray for the family and friends of Faith... Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

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The Meal

PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

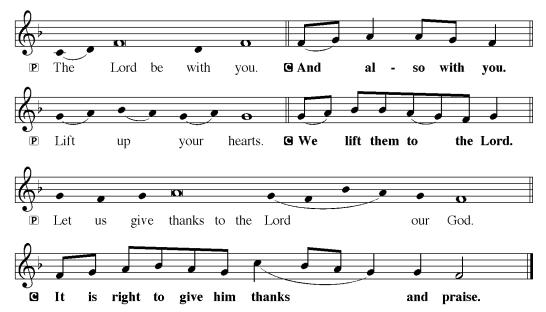


OFFERTORY PRAYER

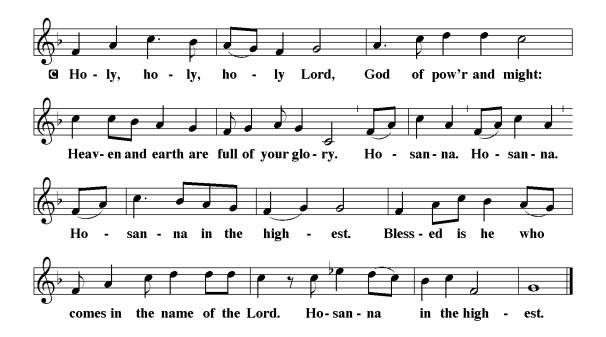
A: God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



P: It is indeed right and salutary . . .we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

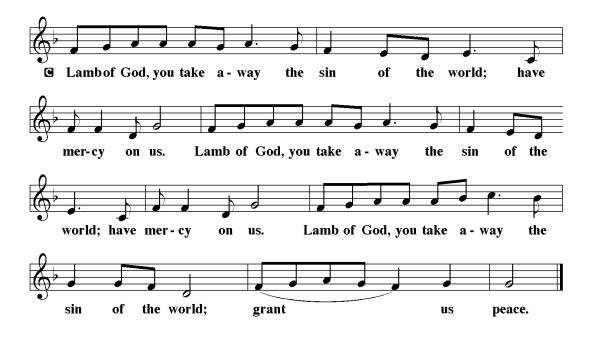
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P: There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.
- C: Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

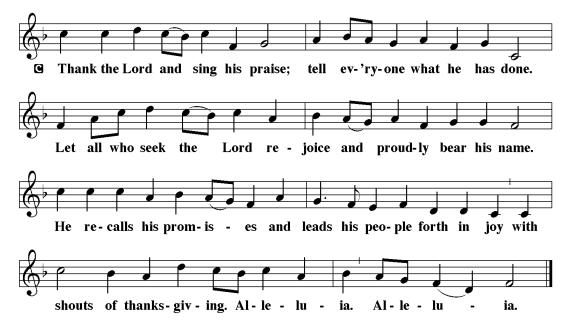
AN INVITATION

We invite you to share in Holy Communion this morning, regardless of your church background or lack thereof. We believe that God is present in the bread and wine as it becomes the body and blood of Jesus Christ and that this presence is a gift of grace in the lives of those who receive it. All are welcomed to the table enjoy this gift of God's love and mercy. Apple/Grape juice is in the center of the communion tray. Gluten free wafers available at the usher stand, please ask an usher to assist you.



P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C: Amen.



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

please stand

A: God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world.

Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

C: Amen

The Sending

BLESSING

P: The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead.

The holy Trinity bless you † and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

please stand



DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God.

Today is All Saints Sunday

As November heralds the dying of the landscape, the readings and liturgy call us to remember those who have died in Christ. As the liturgical year draws to a close, we hear warnings about the end of time, stories of crisis and judgment, and parables of loss and death. The Christian community speaks honestly about human frailty and mortality.

At the same time, we confess our faith in the risen Lord, in the communion of saints, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. While we may face death with fear, the liturgy calls us to hear the Lord's promise that he is with us in life and in death.

Christ has claimed us in baptism and nourishes us in the communion of his body and blood. He leads us to the new Jerusalem. There we shall join all the saints in praise of God, who has turned our graves into the doorway to eternal life.

We remember those who have entered into God's eternal kingdom this past year:

Cindy Montgomery, friend of Greg & Ann Spears Sister of Heather Velazquez **Desiree Woods** Martin Banschbach, brother of Dennis Banschbach Susan Carlson, mother of Karwynn Albillar Gail Secor Janet Lis, mother of Michael Lis Joy Barnes, mother of Louise Adcox Marion Beckner Richard Offhaus, grandfather of Lucas Runge Ron Rossi, brother in law of Dale & Judy Bridge Tom Rehr, uncle of Theresa Caruso David Mordini, brother of Karen Schnorr Peg McKenna, grandmother of Andrew Schmidt Ray Weigel, father of Gary Weigel Dennis Banschbach

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Faith!

We are so glad that you have chosen to worship with us today! Have questions about Faith? Wondering how to get connected or get more involved? We'd love to help. No matter where you are in life or how many times you've visited, we're here to guide you towards your next best step. Stop by the welcome center located near the main entrance. If this is your first time at Faith, let us know, we've got a special gift just for you!

NEXT

Sun 11/2 | 9:00 & 10:30 AM

If you've ever wondered how to get involved at Faith or how to take the next step, don't worry. We've created a simple next step for you. It's a small gathering called NEXT. This informal gathering lasts approximately 20 minutes and will provide you with an overview of our mission, strategy, and environment to help you determine your best next step in continuing your faith journey. Pastor Rob and Jenn Richardson, Faith's volunteer coordinator, will be on hand for conversation and to welcome you to Faith. Meets fireside.

BEARS FOOTBALL POTLUCK

Sun 11/2 | 11:30 AM

Come join us for a potluck featuring grilled hamburgers and hot dogs! Bring your favorite tailgate dish to pass and watch the Chicago Bears vs. Cincinnati Bengals. Wear your favorite Bears shirt and watch the game on the big screen in the auditorium and in the cafe. Invite your friends for a day of Bears Football here at Faith!

REVOLUTION

Sun 11/2, 11/16 | 5:00 PM

On Sunday Nights at Faith, we've created an event that attracts **middle & high school students just like you.** After all, we figure you want to be wherever your friends are. We make this time as fun and relevant as we possibly can. The goal is for you to leave feeling energized to go out there and tackle another week! Meets 1st and 3rd Sundays in the auditorium. Register online- <u>discoveringfaith.com</u>

WOMENS GROUP

Mon 11/3 & 11/17 | 7:15 PM

This Fall we will be studying "Encouraging One Another, Women of Faith Bible Study" by Nicole Johnson. We will study 2 chapters per session. You may order the book online at Christianbook.com

We meet bi-weekly at Faith's café & no need to sign up-We'd love to have you join us!

HOLIDAY GREENERY SALE

Sun 11/2 & 11/9

During services on 11/2 and 11/9, be sure to stop by the café area to meet and support our Cub Scout Pack and Scouts BSA Troop! The Scouts will be selling fresh wreaths, greenery, and holiday décor to raise funds for their upcoming Scouting adventures.

Every purchase directly supports our local youth — all commissions go back to the Scouts — and you'll take home beautiful, live holiday decorations. It's a true win-win for your home and the community! Pickup Details:

Orders will be available for pickup at the church on Friday, November 21 at 6:00 PM, or after services on Sunday, November 23.

A MOMENT FOR MOM

Sat 11/8 | 10:00 AM

Our next session, Susan Myket, Ph.D. will be speaking with us about "R.E.S.P.E.C.T.: How Parents Can Set Expectations for Respectful Behavior in the Home". You won't want to miss it!

A Moment for Mom is a group for moms of kiddos ages 0-10 that meets the 2nd Saturday each month through May 2026. Sessions provide a delicious breakfast and amazing speakers on topics relating to motherhood. We offer affordable childcare while you attend. Our website is ready for you to explore our speakers and costs for the 2025-2026 year. Come join us and other moms to laugh, learn, and connect. Register today and/or reach out to us for more information at www.discoveringfaith.com/amomentformom.

ONE SCOUT, ONE PROJECT, UNLIMITED SPAGHETTI

Weds 11/19 | 5:00 PM

Join Ben Ginsberg's Eagle Project Fundraiser!

\$10 Per Person, \$30 Per Family 5PM-8:30PM here at church.

Eat pasta, support a great cause, and help build Faith a brand new playground! All proceeds go directly to the project! Tickets can be purchased at the door or discovering faith.com

WOMENS BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays | 9:00 AM

All women of Faith are welcome and encouraged to attend. The group meets in the cafe from 9-10:30. This Fall the Bible Study will explore the book of Ruth through Timothy J. Mulders' book Ruth - a Story of God's Redeeming Love. The study covers such topics as God's loving-kindness (hesed), the foreshadowing of Christ, waiting on God's timing, the providence of God, and the redemption of Naomi. The workbook is \$10 and will be available at the meetings. For additional information contact Sue Boozell at sue.boozell@discoveringfaith.com.

KIDWERKS

Join us in the auditorium as we dive into learning about new virtues each month through stories from the bible so that we can grow in our understanding and relationship with God. To register go to <u>discoveringfaith.com</u> or for more information please contact <u>jenn@discoveringfaith.com</u> PreK – 5th grade

NIGHT OF FAITH, FORTUNE & FUN

Sat 2/21/26 | 6:00 PM

We have something truly special planned for us at Faith! Please join us for a night of fellowship, fortune and fun... there will be food & drinks and a "Golden Ticket" raffle. There will be a silent auction as well & this is where we need your help. We are looking for any donations you could provide, and have come up with a list of ideas:

Memberships to clubs: wine, food, coffee, sweets, health

Fun Activity Certificates: bowling, TopGolf, Main Event, miniature golf, zoo

Golf Outing: Stonebridge, White Eagle, Fox Bend, Orchard Valley **Restaurant Gift Certificates:** fast food, casual food, fine dining

Sporting Events: White Sox, Blackhawks, Bulls, Cubs, Fire, AAA teams **Event tickets:** movies, music concerts, symphony, museum, live theater

Memorabilia: sports, tv/movie, antiques, collectibles

Travel Vouchers: time shares, vacation rentals, cruises, car rental, hotel

Theme Park tickets: Great America, water parks

Lessons Certificates: golf, swimming, tennis, instruments, tutoring **Store Certificates:** gift shops, clothing, jewelry, books, groceries/food **Services Certificates:** house cleaning, landscape, handyman, babysitting

Email <u>auction@discoveringfaith.com</u> if you have any questions. Donations can be dropped off to the church office.

Living Generously (through September 2025)

Our mission is simple. Invite people to discover the new life that can be found in Jesus Christ. Because of your financial generosity, lives are being changed. Our budgeted resource needs to live out our mission are not currently fully funded. We would like to invite you to prayerfully consider how you can respond so that together we can enhance our mission impact in our community and beyond. Thank you for living generously.

YTD Revenue \$287,480 YTD Budget \$332,435 YTD Expenses \$347,055

Prayers

If you would like to add someone to our prayer list and have the prayer team pray for them, please contact the church office at (630) 862-3500 or send an e-mail prayerteam@discoveringfaith.com

Prayer concerns will be listed for four weeks unless otherwise noted.

Care

If you know of someone who is in need of emotional, physical, or spiritual support, please contact our care team at: careteam@discoveringfaith.com

Pastoral Emergency

In the case of an emergency that requires immediate Pastoral Care, please contact Pastor Rob directly on his cell phone at (630) 248-5515.

As Easy as Click & Give



As followers of Jesus Christ, we embrace irrational generosity. We know it changes lives—ours and the people we're reaching. At Faith, taking action on your generosity is simple. Just scan the QR code with your camera and give. Simple, safe, and secure.



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