

“Jesus Is Everything”

July 15, 2018



INTRODUCTION

Today's service will be lead by the teens and leaders who attended the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas on 6/27-7/1. The following service closely mirrors the worship service the youth attended with 30,000 other students on Sunday, July 1st. The service on the 1st was presided by Rev. Elizabeth Eaton, presiding Bishop of the ELCA.

The teens and leaders of Faith are excited to share their experience with you and give you a glimpse into their life-changing week!

GATHERING

PRELUDE

“This Changes Everything”

James Kocian/Judi Tyler

Drew Williams, violin

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Tara Williams

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

People of God, in the waters of baptism you traveled with Christ from death to life. Your past, your sin, your failure, your doubt, are no more.

God’s love washes them away.

Your fear, your confusion, your self-righteousness, your despair...

God’s grace washes them away.

Your pride, your judgment, and other people’s opinions of you...

No longer define us.

The Spirit lives and moves through you now.

A great and joyful mystery.

So you may bring love and mercy in to the world.

As the body of Christ.

Rejoice that God has claimed you in this baptismal grace,

Not by our own doing or believing,

But by God’s mercy and love alone.

This changes everything.

And so as we begin worship, we give thanks to God

For the gracious gift of baptism,

That joins us together in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God!

OPENING SONG

Freedom

Eddie James

We invite you to stand (if you are able) and sing with us.

(please be seated)

GREETING

E: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

S: who speaks truth to our world,

E: the love of God,

S: who calls us to new life

E: and the communion of the Holy Spirit,

S: who gathers us together into one body of believers

E: be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Adelle Dingleline

Let us pray...Lord God... you called Moses, by name, through the burning bush and sent him to speak truth to power; you invited the woman at the well to leave her struggles behind and to place her hope in you; you encouraged Phillip to surrender to your Word, and your grace forever changed the life of the Ethiopian eunuch; you gave your only Son to die on a cross to show the world that your love does indeed change everything. Inspire us through this worship to listen for your call; be reminded of your love; surrender to your grace; and to find hope in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

Griffin Ransom

Psalm 130: A reading from the book of Psalms

1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD. 2 Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! 3 If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? 4 But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. 5 I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; 6 my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. 7 O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. 8 It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL PROCESSION

Rez Power

Israel Houghton

We invite you to stand (if you are able) and sing with us.

Chorus 1

**Oh clap your hands all ye people
And shout unto God
With a voice of triumph oh oh oh oh
With a voice of triumph oh oh oh oh**

Verse 1

**You are the everlasting God
Shine Your light through us
For all the world to see**

Verse 2

**You are the hope of broken hearts
You overcame the grave to save humanity
Singin' hallelujah Jesus is alive**

Chorus 2

**Oh clap your hands all ye people
And shout unto God
Oh clap your hands all ye people
And shout unto God
With a voice of triumph oh oh oh oh
With a voice of triumph oh oh oh oh**

Bridge

**Oh oh oh You're alive You're alive in me
It's resurrection power
Oh oh oh I'm alive
I'm alive in You
It's resurrection power**

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GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING

Atu Ngasala

John 4:4-20

⁴But he had to go through Samaria. ⁵So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

⁷A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸(His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" ¹²Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" ¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." ¹⁵The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." ¹⁷The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" ¹⁹The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." ²¹Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²²You worship what you do not know; we

worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." ²⁶Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

²⁷Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" ²⁸Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, ²⁹Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he? ³⁰They left the city and were on their way to him. one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(please be seated)

GOSPEL PROCESSION

Noisy Offering

Sam Kadrofske & Lauren Schultz

“This Little Light of Mine”

Josiah Williams

SERMON

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK SLIDESHOW

SONG

Amazing Grace/My Chains are Gone

Chris Tomlin

We invite you to stand (if you are able) and sing with us.

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

My chains are gone
I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

[2x]

My chains are gone
I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God, Who called me here below,
Will be forever mine.
Will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Owen Kadrofske

Together with all those who hold faith in God, we confess our faith...

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 into hell. 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

Brielle Bowers

Growing in faith and discipleship, we give thanks for God's merciful compassion as we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Holy God, send out your church to cross boundaries for the sake of your holy compassion. Use our words and our actions to bring peace and wholeness to all people. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

God of creation, all nature is a gift from you. Protect the earth from disaster and misuse. Free us from selfishness and help us to honor the genius of nature, sharing our earthly home gently with one another and with future generations. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Liberating God, soften the hearts of rulers and governments. Strengthen the voices of those who cry out for freedom and opportunity for the overlooked, oppressed, and abused. Teach your people to speak peace to all people and nations. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Merciful God, give us faith and make us whole. Ease the anxiety of undiagnosed or chronic illness. Soothe the suffering of all those who battle disease; give courage to those who walk alongside the broken; bring peace to the fractured and shattered lives of all who hunger for wholeness. Look with compassion on all who cry to you for healing. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Lord God, surround all who stand in grief– give full measures of your resurrection hope this day to those who have suffered loss. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Gracious God, we lift to you these prayers and the prayers of our hearts, trusting in your everlasting love and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you!

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

“Open the Eyes of my Heart”

Paul Baloche

PRAYER

Drew Williams

God is good.

All the time.

All the time.

God is good.

God, your generosity never ends. Everything we call our own is a gift from you receive our humble offerings of money, time and skills. Make us wise stewards of all your gifts and use them to heal the world you love, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor Ellen Schoepf

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise

Holy God, we praise you. Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad. We bless you for creating the whole world; for your promises to your people Israel, and for Jesus Christ in whom your fullness dwells. Born of Mary,

Jesus shares our life.

Eating with sinners,

Jesus welcomes us.

Guiding his children

Jesus leads us.

Visiting the sick,

Jesus heals us.

Dying on the cross,

Jesus saves us.

Rising from the dead,

Jesus gives us new life.

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.

With thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup and proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us that this meal may be a communion of the body and blood of our Lord. Make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast. Unite us in faith; encourage us in hope; inspire us to love, that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory. We praise you, eternal God. through Jesus your Word made flesh, in the holy and life-giving Spirit now and forever.

Amen. Come Holy Spirit.

LORD'S PRAYER

Sam Kadrofske

Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Pastor Ellen Schoepf

Come to the table and receive Jesus in a meal that changes everything.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

SONG

“It Is Well”

Bethel Music

“Oceans, Where Feet May Fail”

Hillsong United

Please stand if you are able

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Brenna Seeley

Let us pray...Lord God, we who work for change, suffer resistance,

So make us strong

We who do new things, sometimes feel afraid,

So make us brave.

We who challenge the world as it is, invite anger,

So grant us peace.

We who try to love, encounter hate.

So give us faith in you.

Now send us out to be your people in the world that we may tell the story that your love changes everything.

Amen.

BLESSING

Lauren Schultz

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the Name of the Father, + and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CLOSING SONG

"This Changes Everything"

James Kocian/Judi Tyler

When the walls around me crumble When the ground beneath me
shakes When the skies above me rumble or when my heart breaks

You're there, with me, with me Oh God, You never leave

This changes everything, everything This changes everything, this
changes everything, everything This changes everything,
everything This changes everything, everything

Now we're learning to surrender In our weakness, You are strong
When we're desperate for a breakthrough We find hope in You
alone

You're there, with us, with us Jesus, You never leave

It's by grace we are saved, we belong to Jesus It's by grace we are
saved, we belong to Jesus

SENDING

DISMISSAL

Tara Williams

A: You are called by God. You are loved by God. You are saved by God's grace. You are God's hope for the world. God has given you a holy vocation: Stand up – using your gifts to serve God. Stand for – using your talents to care for all people. Stand with – God's creation using your passions to better God's creation and change the world. We go out with the words of St. Paul: "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God." Jesus changes everything! Jesus is everything.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE "This Changes Everything"

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A HUGE thank you to the entire congregation of Faith Lutheran Church for supporting the teens and leaders who traveled to the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering.

We could not have done it without your prayers, encouragement and financial support. This group truly learned that “Jesus Changes Everything” and looks forward to ways in which we can show the love of Jesus to the world around us.

Next Youth Gathering



Sisters & brothers in Christ, welcome to worship!
May your time in the Lord be rich and blessed.

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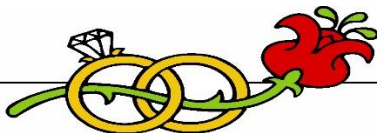
July 8, 2018 Attendance: 74

Serving Faith	July 15	July 22
Acolyte	Gathering Youth	Austin Jones
Altar Care	Rich Weingartner & Brenda Kopf	
		Rich Weingarter & Nina Schrote
Communion Assistants	Gathering Youth	Austin Jones
	Gathering Youth	Ken Schoepf
	Gathering Youth	Dane Webb
Greeters	Dingledine's	Mike Eschelbach
Readers	Gathering Youth	Ken Schoepf
Lay Assistant	Gathering Youth	Dane Webb
Ushers	Gathering Youth	Heilman's
Nursery	Melinda & Lauren Schultz	Marquardt's

Altar Flower Dedications:

Sunday, July 15th

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Rich Weingartner in memory of his grandparents Bob and Eleanore Weingartner.



Carol Towl and Harold Sollenberger invite the Faith Family to a simple ceremony where we plan to exchange our marriage vows on July 22nd at 5:00 p.m. here at the church. Both of our families have been raised here during over 40 years of worshiping at Faith. Please join us to celebrate and to renew acquaintances while sharing cake and punch. No gifts please.

