



# **PENTECOST-2**

**June 2, 2024**

**10:00 AM**

## **FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

4515 Dobie Road  
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# Welcome Statement

*We, at Faith Lutheran Church, welcome you as a child of God. As Paul said in his letter to the Galatians, “for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith.” (Galatians 3:26) We strive to be a place where everyone is welcomed and affirmed.*

*No matter your age, gender identity, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, marital status, faith background, political leanings, or mental or physical ability – you are welcome as you are. As children of God, we are all one in Christ Jesus and rely on the unconditional nature of God’s love and grace to be our help and guide.*

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO COME TO THE LORD’S TABLE.**

**There are gluten free wafers available, just let the pastor know when you are at the altar rail. As you receive communion, in the center of each tray, there are a few glasses filled with white grape juice for those who prefer juice rather than wine.**

**If you would prefer only a blessing, please have your hands folded and the pastor will give you a blessing.**

## **INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

Deuteronomy makes clear that sabbath-keeping is meant for the welfare of all. God delivered the Israelites out of slavery, so they should observe this freedom with a day of rest. No one should work seven days a week; even slaves and foreigners should be able to rest. Yet human beings can turn even the most liberating religious practice into a life-destroying rule. Jesus does not reject sabbath-keeping, but defends its original life-enhancing meaning. Our worship and our religious way of life are to lead to restoration: the hungry being fed and the sick being healed.

## **PRELUDE**

“Gather Us In”

arr. Mark Himmelman

## Verse of the Day

[Read in Unison]

*<sup>16</sup> “Yes, God so loved the world as to give the Only Begotten One, that whoever believes may not die, but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> God sent the Only Begotten One into the world not to condemn the world, that through the Only Begotten the world might be saved.*

*John 3:16-17 The Inclusive Bible*

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

**Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

*[Silence is kept for reflection]*

**God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.**

**Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God’s mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**Amen.**

## GATHERING SONG – Gather Us In (ELW 532)



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness  
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who  
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the  
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings  
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,  
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,  
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.  
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.  
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.  
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the  
 Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the  
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the  
 Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,  
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion  
make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.  
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: GATHER US IN, Marty Haugen

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## 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.**

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 5:12-15**

*This portion of the Ten Commandments instructs the Israelites to keep the sabbath. The Israelites are to rest, and they are to allow their slaves, their livestock, and the foreigners living among them to do the same. They were once slaves, and so they are to treat their own slaves justly.*

A reading from Deuteronomy.

<sup>12</sup>Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. <sup>13</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>14</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. <sup>15</sup>Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore, the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 81:1-10

<sup>1</sup>Sing with joy to God our strength and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

<sup>2</sup>**Raise a song and sound the timbrel, the merry harp, and the lyre.**

<sup>3</sup>Blow the ram's horn at the new moon, and at the full moon, the day of our feast;

<sup>4</sup>**for this is a statute for Israel, a law of the God of Jacob.**

<sup>5</sup>God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the land of Egypt, where I heard a voice I did not know:

<sup>6</sup>**"I eased your shoulder from the burden; your hands were set free from the grave-digger's basket.**

<sup>7</sup>You called on me in trouble, and I delivered you; I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the waters of Meribah.

<sup>8</sup>**Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you: O Israel, if you would but listen to me!**

<sup>9</sup>There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not worship a foreign god.

<sup>10</sup>**I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.**

## SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

*When we carry out God's ministry we do so not for our glory but for the sake of Jesus Christ whom we proclaim as Lord. The power for ministry comes from God, not us, so that we persevere no matter what, trusting in God's power and promises at work through us.*

A reading from Corinthians.

<sup>5</sup>We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, "Let light 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.

<sup>7</sup>But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. <sup>8</sup>We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup>persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup>always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. <sup>11</sup>For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. <sup>12</sup>So death is at work in us, but life in you. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

### GOSPEL: Mark 2:23—3:6

*Jesus challenges the prevailing interpretation of what is lawful on the sabbath and tells his critics that the sabbath was made for humankind, not the other way around. Healing the man with the withered hand is work that cannot wait until the next day.*

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

<sup>23</sup>One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. <sup>24</sup>The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" <sup>25</sup>And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? <sup>26</sup>He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; <sup>28</sup>so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

<sup>3:1</sup>Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. <sup>2</sup>They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. <sup>3</sup>And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. <sup>5</sup>He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. <sup>6</sup>The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him. The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

# SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY – O Day of Rest and Gladness (ELW 521)



1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,  
2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion, the light first had its birth;  
3 To - day on wea - ry na - tions the heav'n-ly man-na falls;  
4 New grac-es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,



O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright:  
on you, for our sal - va - tion, Christ rose from depths of earth;  
to ho - ly con - vo - ca - tions the sil - ver trum-pet calls,  
we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.



on you the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,  
on you, our Lord vic - to - rious the Spir - it sent from heav'n;  
where gos-pel light is glow - ing with pure and ra - diant beams  
We sing to you our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God tri - une.  
and thus on you, most glo - rious, a three-fold light was giv'n.  
and liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing with soul - re - fresh-ing streams.  
the church its voice up - rais - es to you, blest Three in One.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

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## **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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic 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.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.**

**Merciful God, receive our prayer.**

**Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

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

## OFFERING

“Majesty”

Jack W. Hayford, arr. Douglas Wagner

Addie Thompson and Deb Borton-McDonough, handbells

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

**Amen.**

## 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.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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 COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

## COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

## COMMUNION SONG – Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken (ACS 966)



1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the  
 2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a  
 3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in  
 4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us



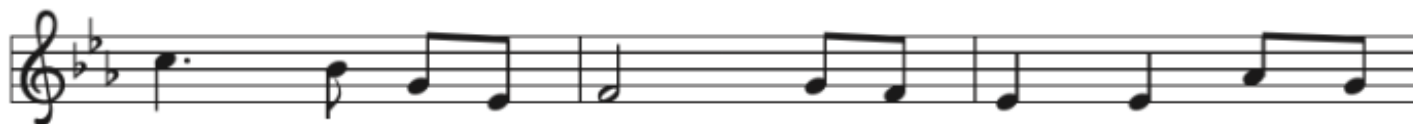
Gal - i - le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of life from  
 qui - et room one night. In the bread and wine you  
 faith we gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the  
 in your name to share bread for which the mil - lions



heav - en, was their food for - ev - er - more.  
 gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.  
 a - ges: "I am with you; do not fear!"  
 hun - ger, words that tell your love and care.



By your bod - y bro - ken for us, by your



wine of life out - poured, Je - sus, feed a - gain your



peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007

Music: JOYOUS LIGHT, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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## **INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC**

“Gift of Finest Wheat”

arr. Jeffrey Honore

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

**Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✝ be upon you now and forever.

**Amen.**

## SENDING SONG – Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing (ELW 389)



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,  
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the  
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet  
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the  
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.  
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.  
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

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## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

“Christ is Alive!”

arr. J. Wayne Kerr



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## **FLC SCHEDULE**

### **Sunday, June 2:**

- Worship Service @ 10:00 am: **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**
- A Taste of Honduras – during Coffee Hour
- Private Event – Large Fellowship Hall @ 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm

### **Monday, June 3:**

- Christian Ed Meeting @ 4:00 pm in Library
- Girl Scouts Meeting @ 6:15 pm in Old Fellowship Hall
- Boy Scouts Meeting @ 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall
- RIC Meeting @ 7:00 pm in Library

### **Tuesday, June 4:**

- Bible Study @ 12:00 pm – Zoom Call

### **Wednesday, June 5:**

- Quilters Meet @ 9:30 am

### **Thursday, June 6:**

- Alzheimer's Caregivers' Support Group Meeting @ 7:00 pm

### **Saturday, June 8:**

- Private Event / Recital in Sanctuary @ 9:30 am – 11:45 am
- Private Event / Recital in Sanctuary @ 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm

### **Sunday, June 9:**

- Worship Service @ 10:00 am: **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**
- Mortgage Burning Ceremony at the FIREPIT (after Worship Service)
- End of the School Year Youth Event @ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

# FAITH VOLUNTEERS

## June 2

Greeter(s): Rich Weingartner  
 Reader: Megan Nyquist  
 Lay Assistant: Paul Hereza  
 Ushers: Jon & Elaine Harrison  
 Altar Care: Jamie Royalty  
 Coffee Hour: Jamie Royalty  
 Acolyte: Abby Steinke

## June 9

Greeter(s): Mike Eschelbach  
 Reader: Ryan Thompson  
 Lay Assistant: Rich Weingartner  
 Ushers: TBD  
 Altar Care: TBD  
 Coffee Hour: Herezas  
 Acolyte: TBD

# WEEKLY OFFERING REPORTS

## May 19, 2024

Loose Cash	\$ 35.00
General Fund	\$ 4,945.00
Green Team Bags	\$ 200.00
Building Rental	\$ 170.00
Pantry Fund	\$ 50.00
Parish House	\$ <u>155.00</u>
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 5,555.00</b>
<u>Vanco</u>	
General Operating	\$ 2,116.50
Building	\$ 25.00
Youth Fund	\$ <u>25.25</u>
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 2,166.75</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,721.75</b>

## May 26, 2024

Loose Cash	\$ 15.00
General Fund	\$ 1,095.00
Pantry Fund	\$ 100.00
Parish House	\$ <u>258.72</u>
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 1,468.72</b>
<u>Vanco</u>	
General Operating	\$ <u>596.00</u>
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 596.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,064.72</b>

## Property Sale Distribution

General Fund	\$ 7,660.52
Events	\$ 1,000.00
Building/Capital Repairs	\$ <u>29,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 37,660.52</b>

FLC Council approved the policy below. This will serve as step 1 of the FLC Security Plan.

## Security Policy – DOORS

### Sunday morning:

- Main doors will be open by 8:45 am when Sunday School meets.
- Main doors will be open by 9:30 am when there is no Sunday School.
- Doors will be locked at 10:10 am. A cordless phone will be provided for the ushers. This phone will be left on vibrate. People will be able to call the ushers to be welcomed in.
- All other doors will remain locked.
- Greeters will be asked to stand at the main doors to welcome people and let visitors know where worship is. This way no visitors need to go downstairs.

### A TASTE OF HONDURAS

During Coffee Hour on **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, there will be a "Taste of Honduras" and a presentation by Jamie Royalty on her recent mission trip to Honduras.

### MORTGAGE BURNING PARTY

There will be a mortgage burning ceremony on **June 9<sup>th</sup>** (after worship service) at the recently renovated outdoor fire pit (thanks again, Mark Kadrofske). Everyone is invited to attend!

### END of the SCHOOL YEAR BBQ

Who: All Middle School and High School Students

When: Sunday, June 9th, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Where: Faith Lutheran Church back yard / firepit

What: Food, Games, and Fun! Pickleball, badminton, volleyball and more!

**RSVP to Pam by June 5<sup>th</sup> (so we know how much food to have)**

[pwilliams@faithlutheranokemos.org](mailto:pwilliams@faithlutheranokemos.org)

## WORSHIP BAGS

**These kits are being made available for children - as we understand how difficult it can be to sit still and be quiet during service. We are going to try something different.**

There will be bags on the hooks, but they will be empty, except for a pencil, crayons, a folder with blank paper, and a hard board for the kids to use as a desk to write or color on. The three-drawer container has other items the students can choose from to put into their bag and take into service. At the end of service, place all items into the bags (except any non-reusable item the student wants to take home, i.e., coloring sheets). Then, place the whole bag into the USED box. I will then sanitize the used items.

Don't forget the books on the shelf. They can take these into service, or they can check them out to take home and bring back the following week.

We'd like suggestions for items we can add to the bags.

## ACOLYTES WANTED

We realize that families come and go during the summer months, but we would still love to have students sign up to be acolyte if they are in town. I am attaching a link to a sign-up genius you can use.

Thanks so much,  
*Pam and Pastor Bruce*

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA4AA23A2FAC07-46061747-acolyte>

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