Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church

Inviting all People to Faith ... Come and Worship - Go and Work

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Watch us on SMU: Monday @ 8:30 p.m. and Tuesday @ 11:00 a.m.

Welcome & Prayer

Sharing of Peace

*Opening Song – "To God Be the Glory"

*Invocation:

We meet in the strong name of our God;

We praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Litany (from Genesis and Psalm 138)

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me; Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule."

The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me; Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

Following in the footsteps of Abel, make offerings pleasing to God.

The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me; Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

When other people use you, as Abraham and Sarah manipulated Hagar, God still sees you and will protect you.

The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me; Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

When family members disagree, as Isaac and Rebecca, God is still guiding your life.

The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me; Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

When circumstances turn against you, as with Joseph, God will stay with you and bless you.

The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me; Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

God will surely come to your aid.

The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me; Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

*Prayer of the Day

Jesus Christ, You are our only king. As we gather during this brief rest from our holy labor, we thank You for providing for our needs. We bless Your name for the harvest fields that surround us. We thank You for our schools and for our work. Right here, right now, prime our hearts to flow with prayer, and flood our church and our community with Your righteousness and Your blessing. In Your name we pray. Amen.

Song – "At the Cross (Love Ran Red)"

First Lesson - Proverbs 8:13; 11:2; 13:10; 14:3; 16:18

Gospel – Matthew 5:21-24

Children's Message
Presentation of Bibles
Song – “Let There Be Peace on Earth”
Second Lesson: Genesis 27: 1-24
Sermon – “Pride vs. Peace"
Song – “Nothing But the Blood"
*Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles’ Creed
Prayers of the Church
*The Lord’s Prayer
*Blessing
*Closing Song – “Sing Wherever I Go”

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**Please stand if you are able*

First Lesson: Proverbs 8:13, 11:2, 13:10, 14:3, 16:18

13 To fear the Lord is to hate evil; I hate pride and arrogance, evil behavior and
perverse speech. 2 When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes
wisdom. 10 Where there is strife, there is pride, but wisdom is found in those who take
advice. 3 A fool’s mouth lashes out with pride, but the lips of the wise protect them.
18 Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.

Gospel: Matthew 5:21-24

21 “You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘You shall not murder, and
anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’ 22 But I tell you that anyone who is
angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to
a brother or sister, ‘Raca,’ is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, ‘You fool!’
will be in danger of the fire of hell. 23 Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar
and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, 24 leave
your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and
offer your gift.”

Second Lesson- Genesis 27: 1-24

1 When Isaac was old and his eyes were so weak that he could no longer see, he called
for Esau his older son and said to him, “My son.” “Here I am,” he answered. 2 Isaac
said, “I am now an old man and don’t know the day of my death. 3 Now then, get your
equipment—your quiver and bow—and go out to the open country to hunt some wild
game for me. 4 Prepare me the kind of tasty food I like and bring it to me to eat, so that
I may give you my blessing before I die.” 5 Now Rebekah was listening as Isaac spoke
to his son Esau. When Esau left for the open country to hunt game and bring it back,
6 Rebekah said to her son Jacob, “Look, I overheard your father say to your brother
Esau, 7 ‘Bring me some game and prepare me some tasty food to eat, so that I may
give you my blessing in the presence of the Lord before I die.’ *(continued on back page)*

Second Lesson: Genesis 27:1-24 (*continued)*

8 Now, my son, listen carefully and do what I tell you: 9 Go out to the flock and bring me two
choice young goats, so I can prepare some tasty food for your father, just the way he likes
it. 10 Then take it to your father to eat, so that he may give you his blessing before he dies."
11 Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, "But my brother Esau is a hairy man while I have
smooth skin. 12 What if my father touches me? I would appear to be tricking him and would
bring down a curse on myself rather than a blessing." 13 His mother said to him, "My son,
let the curse fall on me. Just do what I say; go and get them for me." 14 So he went and got
them and brought them to his mother, and she prepared some tasty food, just the way his
father liked it. 15 Then Rebekah took the best clothes of Esau her older son, which she had
in the house, and put them on her younger son Jacob. 16 She also covered his hands and
the smooth part of his neck with the goatskins. 17 Then she handed to her son Jacob the
tasty food and the bread she had made. 18 He went to his father and said, "My father." "Yes,
my son," he answered. "Who is it?" 19 Jacob said to his father, "I am Esau your firstborn. I
have done as you told me. Please sit up and eat some of my game, so that you may give me
your blessing." 20 Isaac asked his son, "How did you find it so quickly, my son?" "The Lord
your God gave me success," he replied. 21 Then Isaac said to Jacob, "Come near so I can
touch you, my son, to know whether you really are my son Esau or not." 22 Jacob went
close to his father Isaac, who touched him and said, "The voice is the voice of Jacob, but
the hands are the hands of Esau." 23 He did not recognize him, for his hands were hairy like
those of his brother Esau; so he proceeded to bless him. 24 "Are you really my son Esau?"
he asked. "I am," he replied.

Thank You to today's Worship Partners
Altar Prep: Lora Johnson, Vicki Egland
Children's Message: Brett Eilts
Fellowship: Mark & Sharon Cameron
Greeters: Bruce & Gayle Simons
Instrumentalists: Elliana Antoine, Gloria McKenney, Anna Quanbeck, Joshua Antoine
Message: Pastor Ben Unseth
Prayers of the Church: Dave Susie
Scripture Reader: Linda Susie
Tech Booth: Lance Storley (Lead), Isaac Storley (Sound), Justin Spieker (Computer), Otto Maaland (Video)
Vocalists: Brittany Spieker, Corbin Maaland, Trisha Rohmiller
Worship Leader: Jim Paulsen

Worship Partners for Oct. 4
Altar Prep: Gene Englin, Shirley Nelson
Children's Message: Craig Neiderheiser
Communion Servers: Gary & Connie Jenkins
Fellowship: Hoppe Family
Greeters: Gene & Patty Englin
Instrumentalists: Leah Kreutner, Gloria McKenney, Kevin Skadelaend
Message: Pastor Ben Unseth
Prayer Intercessors: Dave & Sharon Simington, Dennis Larson, Diane Van Kleek
Prayers of the Church: Jim Paulsen
Scripture Reader: Darrel Heckathorn
Tech Booth: Nathan McKenney (Lead, Computer), Levi Simington (Sound), Lucy Simington (Video)
Vocalists: Kaleigh McKenney, Kirby Fueston, Rachel Simington
Worship Leader: Greg Lear