

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32;
Psalm 25;
Philippians 2:1-4, 14-18;
Matthew 21:23-32

CHURCH INFORMATION

Monday - Friday | 9 AM - 5 PM

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GENERAL FUND GIVING

Last Sunday \$9,462

Budget per Sunday \$9,927

Everything we do is made possible through your faithful and generous giving.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Quincy Floerchinger, Joan Steffens, Janet Winhofer, Ben Ide, Charles Weibel, Dave Snuggs, Kris Smelser, Charley Lannin, Dr. Libby Lake, Sandra Cinko, Elisabeth Gibbs, Jim Chappell, Jim Freeman, Becki Kateley, Roxann Buumfulk-Lee, Robin Goroski, DeeAnna Corn, Art Pearson, Robert Cochran, Oliver Mills, Rick Urick, Brenda Tilleraas, Roine Grosvold, Pat Strand, Donna Parsons, Tom Moring, Rod & Lou Ann Guy, Callie DiFulgentis, Justin Tews, Tara Knight, Eleanor Jandt, Bob Haensel, Char Schram, Jim & Diane Lowry, Becca Thompson, Leona Wenaas, Robbie Stubbs, Nancy Radford, Monica Fournier, Judy Stubbs, Barb Clark

NEED PRAYER?

Call or email the office to be added to this list or to the prayer chain.

LIFE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I firmly believe that the sanctity of human life is the most important issue of our day and that by means of informing and educating the public, as well as by applying Christian love and compassion to those directly affected by the trauma of abortion, physician-assisted suicide, and euthanasia, the pro-life position will prevail, and our nation will again uphold the dignity and sanctity of human life." Rev. Paul Clark • lutheransforlife.org

WAYS TO GIVE


GIVE IN PERSON
Every service we take time to receive a tithe. You can also stop by the church office, Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm



GIVE ONLINE


MAIL A CHECK
Send your contribution to
1300 Ferguson Drive,
Great Falls MT 59404

Go to this webpage to donate:
faithlutherangf.com/donate



SEPTEMBER 20, 2026



**Seventeenth Sunday
after Pentecost**



WELCOME - ABOUT US

Welcome to our church. We trust God will bless you through your worship here today. We believe that the bread and wine we receive in Holy Communion are the true body and blood of Christ, for the forgiveness of sins, so that in receiving them we receive our Lord. If this is your belief, and you have been baptized into the body of Christ, you are welcome to receive the sacrament here. White grape juice is available for those who do not wish to receive wine. Individually wrapped Gluten-free wafers are also available. If coming up to the front is difficult for you, please tell an usher and we will serve you communion where you are seated.

Out of gratefulness for God's blessings, the ministries of Faith are supported by members and friends who give their tithes and offerings in support of the church, the need in our community, and around the world.

We have a family room located to the right of the sanctuary entrance. Our nursery is open ask an usher to show you where it's at.

If it's your first visit please pick up your welcome gift and sign our guest book at the Welcome Table. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join us at Faith!

Matthew 28:19-20 "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

We are a loving church — *called to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves.*

We are a praying church — *people of prayer who pray for one another and for the needs of our community, world and all in need.*

We are a disciple-making church — *committed to living and sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ and bearing witness to our Christian faith in inviting others to know and follow Jesus.*

We are a serving church — *serving others in Jesus' name by feeding the hungry, helping the poor and being the presence of Christ in a tangible way.*

AS CHRIST-FOLLOWERS WE



THIS IS THE JOURNEY OF FAITH.



Wednesday Bible Study

BOOK OF JOHN

Available In Person

Online or Zoom

10:30 am weekly



**ADULT BIBLE STUDY
WILL RESUME
SEPT. 27, 2026
SUNDAYS AT 8:30AM**



**Hey Kids! Sunday School
Resumes September 20th.
Right After The
Morning Worship Service**



Also On the Calendar this Week

Today
**Planning the 75th Anniversary
After the Worship Service**

Tuesday
5:30 pm Bell Choir Practice
6:30 pm Choir Practice

Wednesday
6 pm Praise Team

Thursday at 6:30 am
Men's Breakfast and Bible Study
10 am Altar Guild Meeting

GriefShare

Christ-centered grief
support group
program for adults.
13-sessions, 90
minutes each session.



**New
Session
Begins
Sept. 16**



Classes On Wednesday, at 1:00 p.m. with John Gass.
We meet in the Library across from the Church Office.

**FAITH
INCUBATORS**

**CONFIRMATION
CLASS**

With Pastor Alsen & Sara Wilson

5th-7th Grade: (some flexibility here)
Begins Sunday, September 20, 2026
from 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Contact Annette Hocker
406-590-1061 to register!

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September 20, 2026

On the surface, the parable of the laborers in the vineyard seems wrong. Shouldn't the worker receive the wages he or she deserves for his or her time and labor? It offends our sense of fair play that one who worked less should receive the same as one who worked more. If you only focus on the perspective of the laborer, that might seem true, but if you focus on the generosity of the vineyard owner, you get a very different perspective. God's mercy is not the reward for our labor, but a pure gift of grace given to those who deserve none of his kindness. When you begin to look at this parable from that perspective, God's gracious generosity becomes clear. The Lord does what none of us would do—forgives all our sins, no matter how great, and bestows upon us the mercy and salvation we did nothing to earn and could never deserve. So, we thank God for his gracious generosity!

“Great Are You Lord” [CCLI Video]
 “O Come to the Altar” [CCLI Video]

✠ PREPARATION ✠

HYMN “O Jesus, I have Promised” [REC 79 vs. 1-4]

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

Pastor: Let us silently confess our sins to our Heavenly Father.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Pastor: Almighty God,
People: Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, and judge of all people, we confess to You that we have sinned. We have turned away from one another in our thinking, speaking, and doing. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You desire. We do repent and are truly sorry for these our sins. Because of the obedience of our Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, forgiving us all that is past and granting us the Holy Spirit to guide us into the future.

Pastor: God has promised forgiveness of sins to those who repent. The Lord keep us in His grace and favor and bring us to everlasting life. Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Church of Christ and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

☩ WORD ☩

HYMN OF PRAISE “Jesus Shall Reign” [REC 268 vs. vs. 1 & 5]

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 55:6–9

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE Philippians 1:12–14, 19–30

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 20:1–16

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN OF GOD MESSAGE

SERMON

SERMON HYMN “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ and for all people according to their needs.

Silence for prayer

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,
People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
People: Amen.

☩ SACRAMENT ☩

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes. Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD’S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION

BENEDICTION

SONG “Good Good Father” [CCLI Video]

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord!
People: Thanks be to God and WE WILL!!!

OCT. 4

ADOPTION: THE
LOVING OPTION

LIFE



2-3 PM

Since 1987, believers have gathered nationwide on the first Sunday of every October to prayerfully stand for Life. Please join us on Sunday October 4th from 2-3 PM on 10th Avenue South. Plan to arrive about 15 minutes early and pick up a sign to hold (they have prayers and songs on the back). Gather in the Holiday Village parking lot on the east side near 13th Street near Texas Road House.

Organizers will be available to hand out signs and encourage your participation.
We all know there is power in prayer - God is Good.

“...if my people, who bear my name, humble themselves, pray and seek my face, and turn from their evil ways, then I will hear from heaven, forgive their sin, and heal their land.
My eyes will now be open and my ears attentive to prayer from this place.” - 2 Chronicles 7:14-15

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This Impact Youth Retreat is designed for 7th – 12th graders to engage in fellowship and spiritual growth in a fun-filled environment!

Faith Lutheran Youth, please don't miss out on this exciting weekend!
CONTACT ANNETTE HOCKER FOR REGISTRATION & INFORMATION
REGARDING THE COST @ FLY.faith.lcmc@gmail.com or (406) 590-1061