



Faith Lutheran Church

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<http://faithdunedin.org/worship-and-sermon/> <http://faithdunedin.org/announcements/>

DIVINE WORSHIP: Sunday at 10:15 am

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday at 9:15 am

BIBLE STUDY: Sunday at 9:15 am and Wednesday at 9:30 am

CHOIR PRACTICE: Sunday at 8:45 am; and Wednesday at 10:45 am / 7:00 pm

The Mission of Faith

Faithful to God's Word through Christ, We aspire to love, care, and serve all people.

The Vision of Faith

Faith Lutheran exists to bring the salvation of Jesus Christ to people and send them to Heaven for all eternity.

FAITH WEEKLY

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, Proper 22 (8 October 2017)

Isaiah 5:1–7, Philippians 3:4b–14, Matthew 21:33–46

The True Vine Redeems the Vineyard of the LORD of Hosts

“The vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel” (Is. 5:7), which He planted “on a very fertile hill” (Is. 5:1). He did everything for His vineyard, not only clearing it of stones and planting it with “choice vines,” but also building the “watchtower” of His prophets and hewing out the “wine vat” of His priesthood in its midst (Is. 5:2). But when “he looked for it to yield grapes,” there were only “wild grapes” of bloodshed and unrighteousness (Is. 5:2, 7). The Lord Jesus likewise described the unfaithfulness of those who were called to care for His vineyard (Matt. 21:33–35). But in this He also describes His cross and Passion (Matt. 21:38–39), by which He has redeemed the vineyard for Himself. He is the true Vine, planted by death into the ground, and in His resurrection He brings forth “the fruits in their seasons” (Matt. 21:41). Among those good grapes of the true Vine is the apostle Paul. Once a zealous persecutor of the Church, he “suffered the loss of all things” in order to “gain Christ and be found in him,” to “know him and the power of his resurrection” (Phil. 3:8–10).

Stewardship Verse - Psalm 80:7

***Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved!***

Opportunities

Wednesday Bible Class continues with the study of John. Starting time is 9:30 am.

Sunday School meets this week, start time is 9:15 a.m.

Sunday Morning Bible Class will meet at 9:15 am.

Special Voters' Meeting – October 15th after worship – vote to approve our new members.

October Fest – October 29th, The BOD will provide Bratwurst, members of the congregation will bring German food to share (potluck). Entertainment will be provided. ~Thank you, Rita McWhorter

Help, Help the church is looking for a LARGE Double Door refrigerator, freezer on bottom.

Washer / Dryer for Sale Amana washer and “gas” dryer. Best offer, donation to church.

Donation sites to help hurricane victims:
You can donate to Synod’s Disaster response here. - <https://www.lcms.org/disaster-response>

Samaritan’s Purse - <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/>

LCMS World Relief and Human Care, through LCMS Disaster Response, is coordinating with Texas District Disaster Response www.Lcms.org/Harvey/

Love, Care & Serve !

*Names will be kept on the printed prayer list for 30 days unless otherwise requested

Pray for the church – that she may be faithful in her mission to share the Gospel.

That God will bless us with the means to take care of His House.

Pray for the hospitalized –

Pray for those in care facilities – Sylvia Premo

Pray for those recovering – Peter Kolb, Dorothy Laabs, Linda Harris, Maggie McLaughlin, Carmel Beck, Pat Clifford, Ruth Rauch, Cindy Crutchfield, Eric Rauch

Undergoing Treatment: Paul Martin, Janice Tyma, Jeff Beck, Jeff Bellhorn, Paul Blackburn, Anne Koster, Bob Weinkauff, Cindy Crutchfield

Awaiting Surgery: Shari Martin,

Pray for grieving families – Uliano (Evelyn’s Mother, Muriel Roach), Crutchfield (Son)

Pray for special requests – James Watters, Bellhorn Family, Dorothy Laabs, Jennifer Prewitt, Prayers for the families of the shooting victims in Las Vegas and prayers for the wounded, Pray for those recovering from the effects of Hurricane Harvey / Irma / Maria. Pray for Christians in the Middle East and African conflicts and those refugees fleeing Syria

SERVING THE LORD -2017		
Date	8-Oct	15-Oct
GREETERS	*see George/Ann Klemaier	*see George/Ann Klemaier
USHERS	George/Ann Klemaier	George/Ann Klemaier
HOST - HOSTESS	Flo Bellhorn	Mark/Tina Sunday
ALTAR CARE	Svana Jonsson, Tina Sunday	Svana Jonsson, Tina Sunday
COMM. / ELDER	Mark Sunday	Mark Sunday
READER	Anne Siatkowski	Micah Prewitt

Happy Birthday!

- October 6 Jennifer Belknap
- October 9 Davis-Forsong, Emily
- October 9 Davis-Forsong, Grace
- October 13 Dorothy Laabs
- October 15 Elijah Belknap
- October 15 Michael Denniston

Happy Anniversary!

- Fred & Mary Malinowski October 7
- Eric Lackey & Mary Keller October 20

October 18	Martha Sorenson	
October 21	Maggie McLaughlin	
October 22	Gabrielle Belknap	
October 26	Warren Anderson	
October 26	Emily Sorenson	
October 29	Anne Siatkowski	

From the Churches

Lutheran Worship for Shutins If you have to miss Sunday worship, Lutheran Worship for Shutins is available on the TCT Network Sunday mornings at 11:30. It is channel 377 on Direct TV. Or, go online at Lutheran Worship Service for Shut-ins <http://www.worshipforshutins.org/#!ways-to-watch/csp0>. Or Google Lutheran Worship for Shut-ins.

Another source for Christian living and learning is

ON THIS WEBSITE: <http://kfu.org/on-demand/live-stream/> Click on streaming play

Thank you! On behalf to the staff, volunteers, and especially the families we serve, thank you for your kind and generous donation on September 26. The Kimberly Home, Pregnancy Resource Center.

Pastor's Corner

"I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." (John 16:13)

As I write this weekly note TV pundits and law enforcement investigators are trying to make sense of the horrific shooting that took place in Nevada this past Sunday. In the wake of such events people ask, "Why?" They want to know what motivates an individual to carry out such violent acts; so terrible in their scope. You, my readers, already know the answer to this question. Evil exists; Satan is real; and sin drives man to all level of depravity.

In the midst of the numbness over this act of carnage, there are emerging stories of love—of neighbors helping each other. One such story, written by Jenn & Renee Cesario, comes from the "Love What Matters" Facebook page. Allow me to share it:

"Brendan and I met only 2 hours before the Jason Aldean show. I left my friends so we could go up super close to the front for the end of the night. We were just dancing and having fun and then all of the sudden there were loud noises that sounded like fireworks, but no lights were going off. It stopped, and Jason Aldean kept playing but then the shots fired again and he ran off the stage. Before I knew what was going on, Brendan tackled me down to the ground and covered me from the fire. It stopped again and he looked around to see what was happening and then it just kept going. He looked at me and said 'We have to get out of here. We can't stay here. It's not safe.' Then he pulled my arm up to get me out of the piles of people. We had no idea who was dead or who was alive. We just started to run. He kept telling me it was going to be okay and to keep running until we were safe. He even let me use his phone to stay in touch with my sister so she knew I was safe... The whole night he didn't leave my side."

The only thing I know about Brendan is that he is a United States Marine. It would have been safer for him to look out only for himself, rather than to shield a woman he'd only just met from the

murderer's bullets, and then to pull her to her feet and lead her to safety. His actions, however, demonstrate love for his neighbor. His actions speak well of his character and training.

Brendan, however, despite his Sunday evening heroics and despite being a Marine, is only a man. A man who, like all other men and women, is a sinner. (I guess that makes two things that I know about Brendan for those keeping score at home!) No matter how dedicated Brendan is to saving people, no matter how strong our nation's military, police, FBI, CIA, or any other government agency is, and no matter what laws are passed, there will still, at the end of the day, be evil in this world. Evil deeds such as this will continue to play out until the day of Christ's return.

On Calvary's Cross Jesus Christ overcame the power of death, sin, and evil. He destroyed it forever, but until that day when he returns again, or calls us home to him, evil will continue to wreak havoc on this earth. "In this world you will have tribulation, but take heart, I have overcome the world." These words of Christ are your peace, your hope, and the only solace in times of trouble. He is the One who does not fail, for the victory is already His. Pray for those suffering. Pray they find comfort and the peace that surpasses all understanding, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Pastor Sorenson

~~~~~Simple Fish Tacos~~~~~

...What You'll Need:

COLESLAW TOPPING

- 2 cups prepared coleslaw mix
- 1 orange, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch sections
- 1/2 red bell pepper, chopped
- 1/4 cup red onion, chopped
- 3 tablespoons seasoned rice vinegar
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 lime, squeezed, divided

FISH TACOS

- 2 teaspoons chili powder
- 2 teaspoons cumin
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 1/2 pounds U.S. farm-raised catfish fillets, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 tablespoon chopped cilantro
- 6 (6-inch) flour tortillas (soft tacos)

What To Do:

In a large bowl, combine coleslaw, orange sections, red bell pepper, onion, rice vinegar, oil, and 1/2 the lime juice; mix well. Cover and refrigerate.

In another large bowl, combine chili powder, cumin, garlic powder, and salt; mix well. Add the fish pieces and toss until evenly coated.

In a large skillet over medium-high heat, heat oil; saute fish 6 to 8 minutes, or until it flakes easily with a fork, stirring occasionally. Sprinkle with cilantro and remaining lime juice.

Evenly distribute fish down the center of each tortilla. Top with coleslaw mixture. Roll up tortillas; secure each with a wooden toothpick. Serve immediately.