Faith Lutheran Church, Orange City, Iowa
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity
November 15, 2026



DIVINE SERVICE BEGINS AT 9:00am
SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS AT 10:15am

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Accompanist: Ruth Katt

Order of Service

Divine Service Setting Four *(LSB 203)*

Prelude

Processional Hymn:
In Thee Is Gladness *LSB 818*

Nicene Creed *LSB 206*

Hymn of the Day:
Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness *LSB 849*

Sermon – "The Cycle of Faith"

Dedication of Lutheran Braille Workers Production Center

Prayer of the Church *LSB 207*

Offerings *LSB 207*

Service of the Sacrament *LSB 208*

Distribution Hymns:
Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing *LSB 691*
At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing *LSB 633*
Saints, See the Cloud of Witnesses *LSB 667*

Benediction *LSB 212*

Recessional Hymn:
Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing *LSB 924*

Postlude

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Our services continue to be livestreamed each week and can be viewed any time via our Facebook page (Orange City Faith Lutheran Church).

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Introit: Psalm 95:1–4; antiphon: vv. 6–7a

P: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
C: let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
P: For he is our God,
C: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
P: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
C: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
P: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
C: let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
P: For the LORD is a great God,
C: and a great King above all gods.
P: In his hand are the depths of the earth;
C: the heights of the mountains are his also.
P/C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
P: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
C: let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
P: For he is our God,
C: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Collect

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of Your faithful people that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by You be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 51:9-16

9 Awake, awake, put on strength,
O arm of the LORD;
awake, as in days of old,

the generations of long ago.
Was it not you who cut Rahab in pieces,
that pierced the dragon?
10 Was it not you who dried up the sea,
the waters of the great deep,
who made the depths of the sea a way
for the redeemed to pass over?
11 And the ransomed of the LORD shall return
and come to Zion with singing;
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;
they shall obtain gladness and joy,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.
12 "I, I am he who comforts you;
who are you that you are afraid of man who dies,
of the son of man who is made like grass,
13 and have forgotten the LORD, your Maker,
who stretched out the heavens
and laid the foundations of the earth,
and you fear continually all the day
because of the wrath of the oppressor,
when he sets himself to destroy?
And where is the wrath of the oppressor?
14 He who is bowed down shall speedily be released;
he shall not die and go down to the pit,
neither shall his bread be lacking.
15 I am the LORD your God,
who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar—
the LORD of hosts is his name.
16 And I have put my words in your mouth
and covered you in the shadow of my hand,
establishing the heavens
and laying the foundations of the earth,
and saying to Zion, 'You are my people.'"

P: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle: Colossians 1:9-14

[9]And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, [10]so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. [11]May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, [12]giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. [13]He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, [14]in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel: Matthew 9:18-26

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth chapter.
C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[18]While [Jesus] was saying these things to them, behold, a ruler came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." [19]And Jesus rose and followed him, with his disciples. [20]And behold, a woman who had suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment, [21]for she said to herself, "If I only touch his garment, I will be made well." [22]Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. [23]And when Jesus came to the ruler's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, [24]he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. [25]But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. [26]And the report of this went through all that district.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Financial Update - October 2026				
	General Fund (Oct)	YTD Total	Building Fund (Oct)	Building Fund Balance
Offering Receipts	$22,688.90	$195,940.44	$1,795,00	$47,399.05
Needed for Budget	$20,163.00	$201,634.00		
Over (Under) Budget	$2,525.90	($5,693.56)		

Weekly Announcements

Welcome to all guests! Please fill out an 'Information Card' *(located in the pew rack)* and turn it in to an usher after the service.

Communion Policy: Everyone who is a faithful communicant member in good standing of one of our sister LCMS congregations is welcome to partake of the Lord's Supper here at Faith Lutheran Church. If you are not communing this day but wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the altar. If you would like to become a communicant member here at Faith, please talk with Pastor about doing so.

College/Young Adult Bible Study meets on Sundays at 8:00pm.

Christmas Program Practice continues today (11/15) during Sunday School. No practice on November 22 or 29; and final practice during Sunday School on December 6. The Program is on December 13 following the worship service. Stay after the program for fellowship and lunch. See the sign-up sheet on the table in the Fellowship Hall if you are able to provide food and/or help serve the meal.

The Dedication of our Lutheran Braille Workers Large-Print Bible Ministry Production Center will take place today (11/15) during the Divine Service. Thanks to all who have volunteered to make this possible.

Faith Women's Luncheon will meet at noon on Tuesday, November 17 at Los Tulipanes.

The Harvest Meal will take place on Sunday, November 22 from 11:00am – 1:00pm. Workers (adult & youth) are asked to help with meal preparation on Saturday (beginning at 9:00am) and help serve and clean

up following the meal on Sunday. We also need people to bring desserts. Please see the sign-up sheet on the table in the Fellowship Hall indicating if you will be attending and where you are able to help. Also, if you have an electric roaster that can be borrowed, please mark it with your name and bring it to church on Saturday, November 21. Thank you in advance for helping with this event.

Main Street Living, November 22: This is the Life – "Twisting Road" – Fourth commandment, human guilt and divine forgiveness. Worship Service – Rev. Bryan Meadows of Zion Lutheran Church in Rapid City, SD, delivers the message "Hope Mixed at the Edges" based on Matthew 25:31-46. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. Additional information is available on the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

Calendar of Events		
Nov 15, 22,29	Young Adult/College Bible Study	8:00pm
Nov 15	Lutheran Braille Workers Dedication	During the Service
Nov 17	Faith Women's Luncheon at Los Tulipanes	Noon
Nov 21	Food preparation for Harvest Meal	9:00am
Nov 22	Harvest Meal	11:00am-1:00pm
Nov 25	Thanksgiving Eve Service	7:00pm

Prayers of the Church

Pray for Health and Healing of our FLC members: Hannah Batchelder and Baby, Patty Bracker, Howard Gayer, Hope Hancock, Marlene Tullar, and Ron Zelewski.

Pray for Health and Healing of Family and Friends: Ciara Bents *(daughter of Hope Hancock),* Rachel Brunsting *(friend of Mitch and Barb Bengard)*, Lily Copley and Baby; Ruth Daumer *(wife of Pastor David Daumer)*, Erin Diedrich *(sister of Pastor Batchelder),* Rose Drees and Baby *(sister of Hannah Batchelder),* Helene Gayer *(mother of Pam Vlieger),* Edd Harrison *(friend of Howard Vlieger)*, Craig & Donna *Hunt (Donna is a co-worker of Mike Blankenfeld)*, James *(son of Marlene Tullar's nephew)*, Lisa Jasper *(friend of Heather Katt)*, Duane Korleski *(friend of Howard Vlieger),* Helen Lapel *(sister of*

Janice Gayer), Mark Maple *(friend of Patti & Troy Van Skike,* Tammy Miesner *(wife of Rev. Duane Miesner)*; Shara Osiro *(our missionary)*, Diane Overmohle *(mother of Jason Overmohle),* Donna Pace *(grandmother of Jordon Pace,* Bev Thoene *(friend of Neil & Patty Bracker)*, and David & Cheryl Waggie *(Parents of Alison Vlieger)*.

Local Military Members: Chris Begnoche, Jacob Begnoche, Cody Brennan, David Grady, Andrew Hare *(friend of Andy Reginald)*, Will Roder, Carson Tesch, and Christian Wolthuizen *(brother of Jesa Pace)*.

Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays: Paylyn Hagen.

WELCOME GUESTS

WE'RE GLAD TO HAVE YOU WITH US TODAY
HERE ARE SOME ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR YOU

***An unstaffed nursery** is located just inside the church office entrance (across from the offices). Please feel free to use it as necessary.

***Our offerings** are an opportunity for members and others to show their thanks to God by supporting the work of His church.

***We invite you to our fellowship time following the service.**

***We hope to see you again!** If you would like a visit from the Pastor, please indicate this on the Information Card in the pew rack and hand it to an usher after the service.

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS:
7:30am - 12:00pm (Monday - Thursday)
(Afternoons or evenings by appointment)

SECRETARY is in on Tuesday and Thursday

Call first to make sure someone is here.
(Please use the church office entryway during the week.)