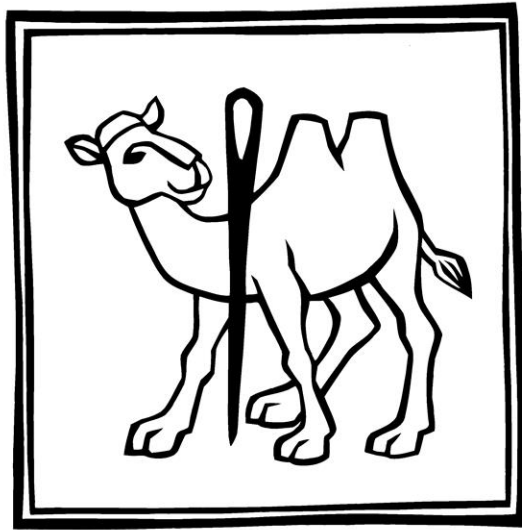


Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church  
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Pastor Jean Kuebler

October 9& 10, 2021

*“As loving servants of God, fed by Word and Sacrament, we will reach out, welcome, and provide a safe haven for all.”*



Guest Network: Faith Guest  
Password: Guest1 Faith

**Worship Services**

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am and 10:15 am

Sunday School 9:00 am

\*Our 10:15 am service will also be livestreamed on our Facebook page Faith Lutheran Erie and our website [www.faithlutheranerie.com](http://www.faithlutheranerie.com).

\*Worship from our parking lot FM broadcast 100.9

## **Prelude**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
whose teaching is life,  
whose presence is sure,  
and whose love is endless.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God our comforter:

**like lost sheep, we have gone astray.**

**We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.**

**We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.**

**We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.**

**Free us from our sin, gracious God.**

**Listen when we call out to you for help.**

**Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

**Amen.**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

**Amen.**

**Opening Hymn: Saturday ~ ELW 705 God of Grace and God of Glory**

**Sunday ~ ELW 833 Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices**

#### **Apostolic 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.**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you,  
we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ,  
only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

A reading from Amos.

<sup>6</sup>Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. <sup>7</sup>Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! <sup>10</sup>They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. <sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. <sup>12</sup>For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. <sup>13</sup>Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. <sup>14</sup>Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. <sup>15</sup>Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**90:12-17**      *The Psalm will be sung responsively. Please sing the bold portions. The Psalm will be spoken on Saturdays.*

<sup>12</sup>So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

<sup>13</sup>**Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? Be gracious to your servants. R**

<sup>14</sup>Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

<sup>15</sup>**Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us and as many years as we suffered adversity.**

<sup>16</sup>Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children.

<sup>17</sup>**May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork. R**

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 4:12-16**

A reading from Hebrews.

<sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

<sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation ~ Sunday:**

**Gospel Acclamation ~ Saturday:** Alleluia! Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## **GOSPEL: Mark 10:17-31**

The holy gospel according to Mark.

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup>He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The gospel of the Lord.

### **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Homily**

Hymn of the Day ~ Saturday & Sunday : ELW 832 Gather Us In

### **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\***

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

*Cont.*

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### Prayers of Intercession

#### Peace

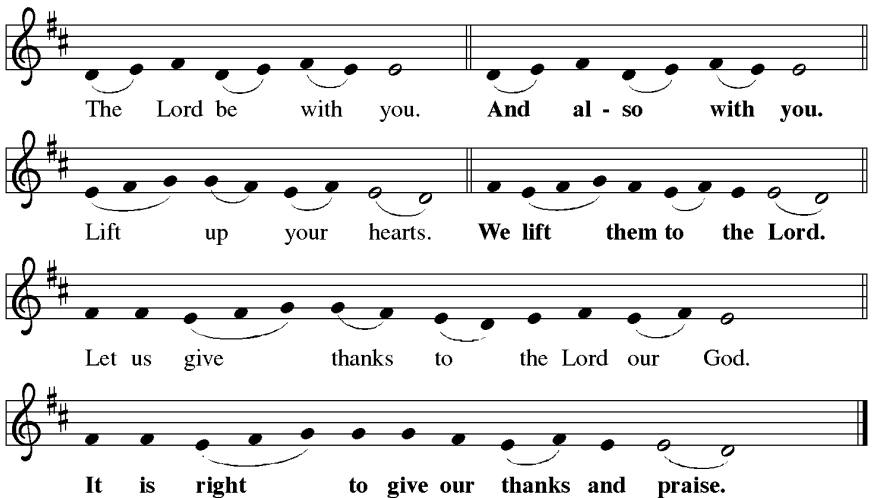
The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

**Choir Anthem (Sunday, 10:15):** *Sometimes Our Only Song is Weeping*

#### Offertory Prayer:

God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**Dialogue:** *Spoken on Saturdays*



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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:

### **Sanctus:** *Spoken on Saturdays*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

#### **Lord's Prayer:**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**



### Invitation to Communion:

All who hunger and thirst, come to the table.

*Spoken on Saturdays*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

### Distribution of Communion

#### Post Communion Blessing:

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

#### Post-Communion Prayer:

Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

#### Benediction:

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn:** *Sundays only* ELW 705 God of Grace and God of Glory

#### Dismissal:

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

#### Postlude



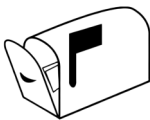
**Do you know about the 2022 ELCA  
Youth Gathering, July 24-28, 2022 in  
Minneapolis, MN?**

More than 30,000 Lutheran youth from around the country will be coming together for service, learning, music, and worship. There is nothing else like it; it can be a life-changing, once-in-a-lifetime faith experience. Youth who will be in 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade this fall are eligible to attend. We will also need one or more adult leaders who can attend. For more information, check out <https://elca.org/gathering/>. If you're interested in going, please speak with Pastor Jean ASAP. Early bird registration opens on September 22, 2021.



**Fall Bible Study with Pastor Jean:  
“Bad Girls of the Bible”  
Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Faith,  
September 8-November 17, 2021**

Are the “bad girls of the Bible” all bad? Some may well deserve their reputation as “bad to the bone”. Others are victims who have been maligned. Others are brave and resourceful. Others...well, it can be complicated. In this series, we’ll look at the stories of some famous (or infamous) women from the Old Testament, consider how God might be at work in their lives, and see what we can learn from them for our lives today. Everyone is welcome!



**NOTE!  
ADDRESS CHANGE**

**Don Faulhaber has moved to  
Independence Court, 41 W.  
Gore Road, Rm 242, Erie, PA,  
16509.**

## **This Week at Faith:**

### **Sunday, October 10**

8:00 am Worship  
9:00 am Sunday School  
9:15 am Choir  
10:15 am Worship

### **Monday, October 11 \*No Preschool\***

11:00 am Staff Meeting  
11:00 am Bible Study

### **Tuesday, October 12**

9:00 am Craft n Chat  
6:30 pm Property  
7:30 pm Finance  
7:30 pm Al-Anon

### **Wednesday, October 13**

8:30 am Prayer Breakfast @ Bob Evans

### **Thursday, October 14**

**Friday, October 15 \*Beacon Articles Due\***  
**\*Office Closed\***

### **Saturday, October 16**

6:00 pm Worship w/ Healing Liturgy & Bethany Outreach Collection

## *Looking ahead...*

**Healing Liturgy, Oct. 16-17:** All three weekend services will include a brief Rite of Healing with the opportunity to receive prayer by laying on of hands and anointing.

**Annual Congregational meeting, Oct. 23-24, following each worship service:** The agenda includes review of the preliminary 2022 budget, nominations for open positions, and adoption of recommended AV upgrades.

**Reformation & Youth Weekend, Oct. 30-31:** Our children and youth will help to lead worship this weekend. Please contact Pastor Jean or Barb Noonan if interested.

## Worship Assistants

<i>Saturday 6:00 PM</i>	<b>October 9</b>	<b>October 16</b>
<b>Assistant/Lector</b>	D.Klaproth	T.Brown
<i>Sunday 8:00 AM</i>	<b>October 10</b>	<b>October 17</b>
<b>Assistant /Lector</b>	MJ Szewczyk	B.Tackett
<b>Lector</b>	A.Krahe	
<b>Greeter/Usher</b>	N.Gardner	
<b>Acolyte/Crucifer</b>	R.Dolak	Jason Dolak
<i>Sunday 10:15 AM</i>	<b>October 10</b>	<b>October 17</b>
<b>Assistant /Lector</b>	C.Lee	M.Falkenberg
<b>Lector</b>		L.Fortin
<b>Greeter/Usher</b>	B.Braley	McBrides
<b>Tellers</b>	Falkenberg	Maas/Lee

### Attendance:

Saturday 6:00 pm - 23  
 Sunday 8:00 am - 14  
 Sunday 10:15 am - 35

Blessing of the Animals -  
 22 people 12 dogs 1 parrot

### Prayer Requests

Cindy

### Altar Flowers

None

### October's Eternal Light

Given by Jack & Barb Nissen in  
 memory of all their family



**ENJOY  
 YOUR  
 WEEK!**

**The readings for next weekend, October 16 & 17, the 21st Sunday after Pentecost, will be Isaiah 53: 4-12, Psalm 91:9-16, Hebrews 5:1-10, and Mark 10:35-45.**

## Announcements:

**We welcome the Rev. Beth Siefert as our supply pastor this weekend, while Pastor Jean is on vacation. In case of any emergency pastoral care needs, please contact the church office at 899-9653.**

**Help support the Bethany Outreach Center with Boscov's Friends Helping Friends event—October 20, 2021:** shop 8 a.m.—11 p.m, in-store only. Donate \$5 for a 25% off discount shopping pass. All of your donation goes to Bethany. To purchase your shopping pass, please see Bunny McBride or Carol Gleischner.

**No Wednesday Bible study this week.** “Bad Girls of the Bible” resumes on October 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-6:30.

**Faith will host Scout Sign Up Night for ages 6-17 October 21 6:30-8:30 pm. Masks will be required and there is a registration fee. Contact Alexis Peterson for more info. 814-490-3828 aleopete411@gmail.com.**

**Youth services for Reformation weekend, Oct. 30-31: We're looking for children and youth to serve as readers, greeters, prayer leaders, musicians, etc. If you're able to help, please see Pastor Jean or SCS Director Barb Noonan.**

**Please join ServErie on October 23, 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. for ServErie Saturday.** We will be serving East and Central Erie from two launch sites on the same day. When you register, pick your launch site, and you'll be assigned to an agency in that area. No special skills are required—come just as you are! ServErie Saturday is the perfect way to meet a real need in our city and show people what it looks like to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Register and get more information at [serverie.com](http://serverie.com).

**Prayer Breakfast is back!** We're now meeting at Bob Evans (by the Harborcreek Walmart) at 8:30 on Wednesdays for breakfast, fellowship, and good conversation. We pray a little too. Everyone is welcome.

## Announcements Cont.

**Communion-to-Go during the Pandemic:** We now have a Communion-to-Go station in the narthex. You are welcome to stop by during church office hours (9-1 M-Th) to pick up pre-consecrated “Celebration Cups” and a brief liturgy for receiving communion, whether for yourself, a family member, friend, or neighbor who desires the sacrament. If you would like to have the pre-consecrated elements delivered to you, or if you would like to schedule a communion visit, please call the church office at 899-9653 or Pastor Jean at 717-440-3515.

**We have personal hearing devices available for anyone who may have difficulty hearing the service.** If you would like to use one, simply ask the greeter/usher, Pastor Jean, or Brian Gray, and we’ll get you set up.

**Faith will host a drug and alcohol prevention seminar Thursday, December 9 at 6:00 pm.** Speakers from Epic Outreach and the attorney general’s office will be discussing the current drug situation in our community. Light refreshments will be provided—all are welcome!

**Communion update:** We will now serve the wine from a pouring chalice. As you come forward to receive the sacrament, please pick up an individual plastic cup from the tray in the front aisle, receive the host, then proceed to the assisting minister with the chalice. After you have communed, you can place the used cup in the basket or tray on the side tables. Those who are unable to receive wine may pick up one of the individual cups of grape juice from the small tray.

**We are seeking volunteers to serve as guest teachers for the 2021-22 children’s Sunday School.** We’ll provide a detailed, user-friendly teacher’s guide in advance for each lesson. This year we’re holding one combined class for K-5, and using a team teaching model. Note that child safety clearances are required; we can provide assistance with this process if needed, and the church will cover the fees for the background check. **Please see the sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex, with the schedule and scripture lesson for each week.** We would also welcome volunteers to help with some of the special activities such as making the Advent wreaths or Valentines for Vets.



**BE KIND. HELP STOP THE SPREAD:**

Effective August 21, 2021, per the most current CDC guidelines, we highly recommend that all persons, both vaccinated and unvaccinated, resume wearing masks in public indoor spaces.

**Thank you!**

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