

Exaudi
The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2024



**The end of all things is at
hand, therefore be self-
controlled and sober-
minded for the sake of your
prayers.**

(1 Peter 4:7 ESV)

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Welcome to the Divine Service where the risen Christ comes into our midst to bring us the peace of His cross and empty tomb. We pray that the Lord would grant us His Holy Spirit that His Word would bear the fruits of faith in Christ and works of love toward our neighbor.

The Lord's Supper is a confession that we are united in holding to all the doctrines of God's Word. Those who do not know and hold to the doctrinal commitment of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are requested to attend the Adult Instruction Class for membership before communing at Faith Lutheran Church.

The Spirit of Truth Bears Witness to Jesus

The Spirit of Truth bears witness to Jesus, who is the truth. But the world does not receive the truth. It loves its own and hates those who are of the truth. Just as Jesus was scorned, so is His Church. "The hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God" (John 16:2). Yet it is by Jesus' suffering and death that we are saved. Therefore we rejoice to share in His sufferings, that we may also share in His resurrection glory (1 Pet. 4:7-14). Through the ministry of the Spirit of Truth, we are cleansed from the deceit of our idols and given a new heart and a new spirit, the heart and Spirit of Christ (Ezek. 36:22-28). He now works in us fervent, self-giving love for one another, love which covers a multitude of sins, "that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen" (1 Pet. 4:11).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remember to silence your cell phones during the Divine Service.

Today we rejoice to celebrate with Noelle Wueller who, last Sunday, made the good confession of faith before Christ and His Church and was received into Communicant Membership through the Rite of Confirmation. May our Lord graciously keep her in this confession and Church until she is granted the crown of everlasting life. Please join us for cake after the Divine Service and stop by Noelle's table.

Christian Homeschool Choir Concert: Lux Venit Choir, of which the Gefallers are members, will be hosting their spring concert on Tuesday, May 14 at 7:00 p.m. at Christ Church in Irving; 1750 E Airport Fwy, Irving, TX 75062. Everyone is invited to attend!

Kindly join us for the 40th year ordination anniversary of Reverend Mark Elliott, May 19, 2024 at 4:00 p.m., Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1000 Texas Street, Sulphur Springs, TX 75482. Please RSVP by April 14 to Our Savior LCMS, 903-885-5787 or [**ourchurch@oursaviorsstx.org**](mailto:ourchurch@oursaviorsstx.org).

Very Important! Next Sunday, May 19, Faith Wylie's Voters' Meeting will convene during the Bible Class hour. This is an important meeting during which the budget and other important items will be discussed and voted on. It is important that everyone attend to give input and so that we may have a quorum to conduct business. Please plan to attend the meeting and the Fellowship Lunch following.

Times are still available for pastoral home visits. Please use the link to SignUp Genius. The link has also been emailed. These visits will be about 45 minutes in length and are intended to facilitate an opportunity to talk about church and Sunday School attendance, family devotions, and Bible study. If you would like more time to discuss anything I will be happy to schedule another visit just for that. May God richly bless these visits that our fellowship in Christ may be strengthened. I look forward to visiting each of your homes.
– Pastor Ulmer, [**Every Household Visits Sign Up**](#)

"Celebrate the Savior" VBS: Join Faith Lutheran Church (Plano, TX) for Vacation Bible School June 17 - 21. VBS is open to incoming Preschool- 6th graders and will be 9 a.m.-12:00 p.m. each day. We will learn more about Jesus through music, crafts, games and other fun activities. Contact Mina McDonald with any questions you might have regarding VBS (Mmcdonald1219@gmail.com). Sign up before May 24 to make sure you receive a VBS shirt! Register at: <https://vbsmate.com/events/27F134D2/28726>

Please prayerfully consider signing up to help with the regular cleaning of the Lord's house. Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Many hands make light work!

Limited space for "Making the Case" Conference... There are less than 100 slots left for the 2024 Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference Friday, July 12 and Saturday, July 13 at Concordia University Chicago. Speakers include: 12 Time All-American Swimmer Riley Gaines, Mollie Hemingway of Fox News, Mark Hemingway of RealClear Investigations, Pastor Chris Rosebrough of Fighting for the Faith, Aaron Renn of The American Conservative, Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller of "Has American Christianity Failed?," and Pastor Will Weedon of The Word of the Lord Endures Forever. The registration fee is \$160 and includes three meals. Reduced room rates, including on-campus dorms, are available. For more information, visit issuesetc.org or call (618) 223-8385.

OUR LIFE AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS

1 Peter 4:10 – “As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” The grace, the gifts, the blessings — they are all from God. We are to use them as stewards, not as owners. That means we should only seek to use them in the way the Owner wants them used. So, we listen to His Word, pray for His wisdom and receive His grace.

UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS

SUNDAY 5/12/24	<i>Exaudi - Seventh Sunday of Easter</i> 9:30 AM – Divine Service <i>Confirmation Celebration</i> 11:15 AM – Sunday School and Bible Class
TUESDAY	9:30 AM – Women's Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	9:30 AM – Divine Service 6:30 PM – Youth Catechesis
THURSDAY	9:30 AM – Circuit Conference
FRIDAY	9:30 AM – Matins 10:30 AM – Confession and Absolution
SATURDAY	4:30 PM – Bibles and Brews (Lowery's)
SUNDAY 5/19/24	<i>The Day of Pentecost</i> 9:30 AM – Divine Service 11:15 AM – Voters' Assembly 12:30 PM – Fellowship Lunch

PRAYERS

- Those members and friends of our congregation who are serving in the military (and their families): Emma and Macarios Cassanova (Army), Thomas Kun (Air Force), Brandon Lowery (Navy), Jesse Lowery (Navy), Ethan Sims (Air Force Reserves).
- Matt Dickson as he prepares to make the good confession of faith before Christ and His Church and be received into Communicant membership next Sunday. Also, Mateo and Levi Dickson as they prepare to receive the washing of Holy Baptism the same day.
- Luella Terry, Amanda Rose's grandmother, who has been suffering from various health issues.
- Mary Cone, James Rose's aunt, who is battling the effects of cancer that led to her hospitalization last week.
- Mark Traugott in thanksgiving for a return home where he can continue to heal and regain strength.

- Leah Savage and Rebekah Burns for protection of mother and child in pregnancy. (Psalm 139:13).
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: Alissa Ulmer, Dony Reaves, Mary Hart, Devin Jackson, Doug Drawe, Antonia, Kay, Kristen Horn, Mark Traugott, Margie Best, Jim Graff, Pam Farrow, Chris Purcell, Todd Hauth, Gail Sellers.

Assisting in the Divine Service Today:

Elder – Brad Lowery Organist – Rebekah Roundey
 Sub-deacon – Matt Thibodeaux Altar: Robin Hauth
 Pastor Ulmer – Bible Class
 Amanda Curry – Sunday School Superintendent
 5/5/24 General Fund Offerings received: \$10,049
 Restricted Fund Offerings received: \$220
 Weekly budget needed: \$4,478; Year to date **surplus: \$1,092**