



Faith Evangelical

Lutheran Church *Walworth, WI*

ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday, October 25, 2020

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Faithful God,

have mercy on us.

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.

We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.

We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.

We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.

**Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in
you**

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and
resurrection, Christ has made us his own.

Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of ☩ Jesus
Christ.

Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the
world.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

"I Could Sing of Your Love Forever"
and "Flowing River"

Verse:

Over the mountains and the sea Your river runs with love for me,
And I will open up my heart and let the Healer set me free.
I'm happy to be in the truth, and I will daily lift my hands,
For I will always sing of when Your love came down.

Chorus:

I could sing of Your love forever, I could sing of Your love forever. (repeat)

Verse:

Pour Your Holy Spirit upon me.
Let your presence fill me up.
Make my life a flowing river of Your everlasting love.

Chorus:

Like a living stream flowing from Your mighty ocean,
Purify in me my desire and my devotion.
Make my life a flowing river of your everlasting love.

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, you are the holy lawgiver, you are the salvation of your people. By your Spirit renew us in your covenant of love, and train us to care tenderly for all our neighbors, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING

Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18
Holiness revealed in acts of justice

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 1

Their delight is in the law of the Lord.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

The apostle's tender care for the Thessalonians

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:34-46

Two great commandments: love for God and neighbor

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 22nd chapter: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY

"Your Grace Is Sufficient for Me"

Chorus:

Your grace is sufficient for me, Your strength is made perfect when I am weak.
All that I cling to I lay at Your feet, Your grace is sufficient for me.

Verse 1:

I'm no longer striving to merit Your love, I rest in Your promise to me,
That all of my sins have been washed in Your blood,
Your mercy is all that I need. *Chorus:*

Verse 2:

You see me as righteous because of the blood that made the atonement for me;
Your mercy has triumphed where I should be judged,
So now, by Your grace, I am free. *Chorus:*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.

You have set before us these gifts of your good creation.

Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us with this rich food and drink,
and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world,
through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, in your mercy: **Receive our prayer.**

SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

(All gathered are invited to share a sign of peace, maybe a wave or a peace sign, a hello from afar.)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

BLESSING

Mothering God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.

SENDING SONG "The River Is Here"

Verse 1:

Down the mountain, the river flows and it brings refreshing wherever it goes.
Through the valleys and over the fields, the river is rushing and the river is here.

Chorus:

The river of God sets our feet to dancing,
The river of God fills our hearts with cheer;
The river of God fills our mouths with laughter
And we rejoice for the river is here.

Verse 2:

The river of God is teeming with life, and all who touch it can be revived.
And all who linger on this river's shore will come back thirsting for more of the
Lord.

Chorus:

Verse 3:

Up to the mountain we love to go, to find the presence of the Lord.
Along the banks of the river we run, we dance with laughter, giving praise to the
Son.

Chorus: