

**The Lord  
is my Shepherd;  
I shall not want.**

Psalm 23:1

**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 21, 2024**

**Faith Lutheran Church  
311 Judges Rd. #2B Wilmington, NC 28405**

## Welcome to our Visitors!

Welcome in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are glad you are here. It is our sincere prayer that God would refresh you by His Holy Word and Sacrament and that you would take with you His peace and joy. If you would care to give us your contact information, we would like to get to know you better and keep in touch. If you have questions or are interested in membership, please speak to anyone here.

## Holy Communion

We come to the table at the invitation of the Lord, receiving the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. Christians who share this faith and wish to join us at the table are welcome. Young children may be brought forward for a blessing.

## Mission Statement

“...that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.”

1 Peter 2:9

+++++

Ministers: Members of Faith Lutheran Church

Pastor: Paul Ebert

Director of Parish Music: Debra Ebert

### **Mailing address:**

Faith Lutheran Church  
1319 Military Cutoff Suite CC/200  
Wilmington, NC. 28405

**Website:** [www.flcwnc.org](http://www.flcwnc.org)

**Phone:** 910-399-7813

**Email:** [office@flcwnc.org](mailto:office@flcwnc.org)

Today's liturgy and/or hymns are reprinted from Lutheran Service Book, 2006, License #1-199; Evangelical Lutheran Worship, 2010; Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978; Psalter for Worship, 1998; Worship and Praise, 1999; Breaking Bread, 2022; Reprinted under ONE LICENSE #A-7730266: CCLI #11599406. All rights reserved. Front cover picture from Sola Publishing.

# Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 21, 2024

LSB Setting Four/Combined Liturgy

\*indicates to please stand

Bold-congregation responses

PRELUDE BRADBURY

*Arr: Nancy Raabe*

## \*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

**We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.**

**Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

To you who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in you, bring it to completion in the day of the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

\*ENTRANCE HYMN    **Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us**



1 Sav-ior like a shep-herd lead us;    much we need your ten - der care.  
 2 We are yours; in love be - friend us,    be the guard-ian of our way;  
 3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us,    poor and sin - ful though we be;  
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor,    ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us,    for our use your fold pre-pare.  
 keep your flock, from sin de - fend us,    seek us when we go a - stray.  
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us,    grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
 bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior,    with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.

**\*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.

**SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**\*KYRIE**

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy      Christ, have mer - cy;      Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy      Christ, have mer - cy;      Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy      Christ, have mer - cy;      Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy      Christ, have mer - cy;      Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious Lord



Lord, have mer - cy      Christ, have mer - cy;      Lord, have mer - cy.

## \*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



To God on high be glo - ry and peace to all the earth;  
To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good - will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high.  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## \*SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray...

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; that you may hear our petitions. In all things, help us to ask for what will please you; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen**

## FIRST READING

The First Reading is from Ezekiel, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

<sup>1</sup>{The Lord God} said to me, “Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you.” <sup>2</sup>And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, “Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord God.’ <sup>5</sup>And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 23



The LORD is my shep-herd; I shall not be in want.

<sup>1</sup>The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup>He makes me lie down in green pastures

and leads me beside still waters.

<sup>3</sup>He revives my soul

and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake. *Refrain:*

<sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup>You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

<sup>6</sup>Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. *Refrain:*

## SECOND READING

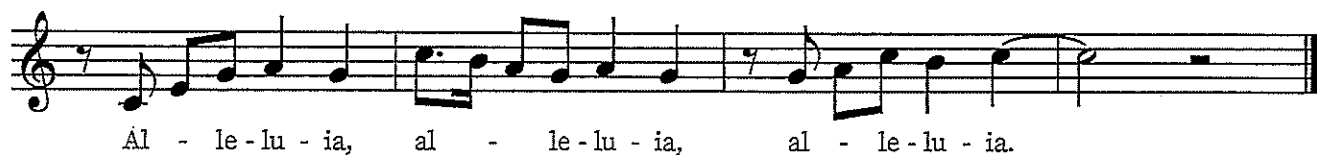
The Second Reading is from Ephesians, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

<sup>11</sup>Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands — <sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility <sup>15</sup>by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. <sup>17</sup>And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup>For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, <sup>21</sup>in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup>In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### \*ALLELUIA AND VERSE





## **\*HOLY GOSPEL**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

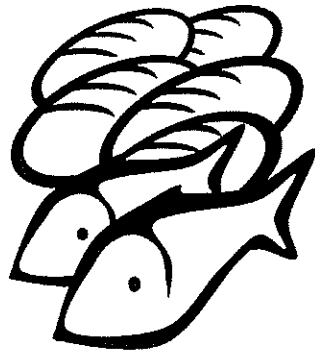
### **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>30</sup>The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>And he said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. <sup>35</sup>And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. <sup>36</sup>Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.” <sup>37</sup>But he answered them, “You give them something to eat.” And they said to him, “Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?” <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” And when they had found out, they said, “Five, and two fish.” <sup>39</sup>Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. <sup>40</sup>So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. <sup>41</sup>And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. <sup>42</sup>And they all ate and were satisfied. <sup>43</sup>And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. <sup>44</sup>And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON:** Pr. Paul



## HYMN OF THE DAY The King of Love My Shepherd Is



- 1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
- 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
- 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear



- fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant  
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der  
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my



- I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
 thine unction grace bestoweth;  
 and, oh, what transport of delight  
 from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so, through all the length of days,  
 thy goodness faileth never.  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
 within thy house forever.

**\*APOSTLES CREED**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**On the third day He rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**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 THE CHURCH**

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**\*PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

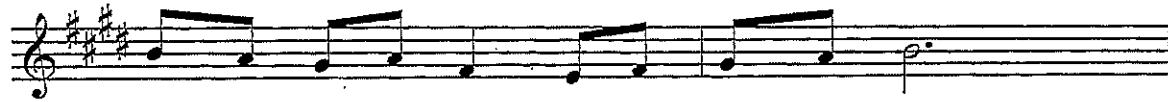
**And also with you.**

*(At this time we offer each other a sign of God's peace)*

## \*AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath - ered in - to one to be - come our bread;



so may all your peo - ple from all the ends of earth be



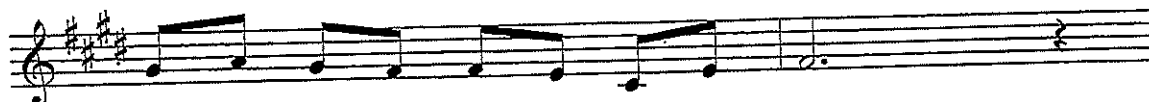
gath - ered in - to one in you.

### Verses



1. As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst, \_\_\_\_\_
2. Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

### *To refrain*



may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

## \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray...

Merciful God,

Everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ.

Amen

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up you hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## \*PREFACE

### \*SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## **\*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed by Thy name,**

**Thy kingdom come,**

**Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;**

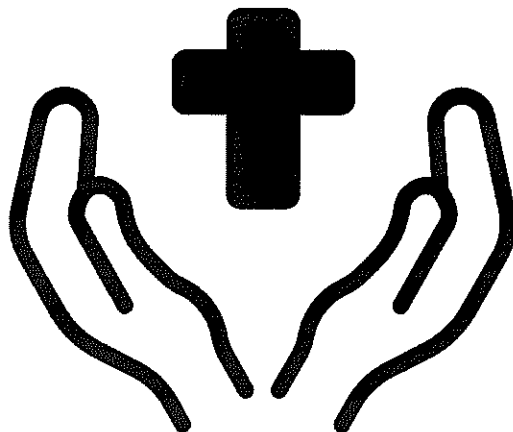
**and forgive us our trespasses**

**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.**



## \*AGNUS DEI

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

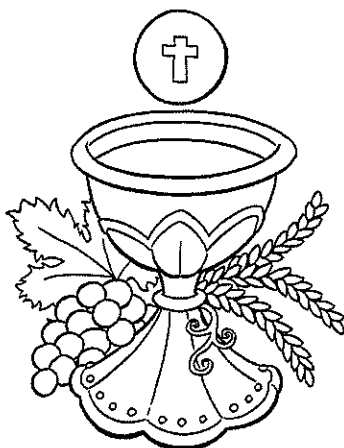
## COMMUNION

The body of Christ given for you.

**Amen.**

The blood of Christ shed for you.

**Amen.**



# COMMUNION HYMN Bread of Life from Heaven (vs. 1 & 2)

## Refrain



Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv-en, we



eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.

## Verses



- |          |               |                              |            |
|----------|---------------|------------------------------|------------|
| 1. Break | now the bread | of Christ's sac - ri - fice; | Giv - ing  |
| 2. Seek  | not the food  | that will pass a - way;      | Set your   |
| 3. Love  | as the One    | who, in love for you,        | Gave him - |
| 4. Take  | in the light  | that will nev - er dim,      | Taste the  |
| 5. Dwell | in the One    | who now dwells in you;       | Make your  |
| 6. Drink | of this cup   | and de - clare his death;    | Eat this   |



- |                 |                         |                  |       |                 |           |
|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1. thanks,      | hun - gry ones,         | gath - er round. | Eat,  | all of you,     | and be    |
| 2. hearts       | on the food             | that en - dures. | Come, | learn the true  | and the   |
| 3. <u>self</u>  | for the life            | of the world.    | Come  | to the One      | who is    |
| 4. life         | that is strong - er     | than death.      | Live  | in the One      | who will  |
| 5. home         | in the life - giv - ing | Word.            | Know  | on - ly Christ, | Ho - ly   |
| 6. <u>bread</u> | and be - lieve          | Eas - ter morn;  | Trust | his re - turn   | and, with |



- |                            |                         |              |                 |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 1. sat - is - fied;        | In Christ's pres - ence | the loaves   | will a - bound. |
| 2. liv - ing Way,          | That the full - ness    | of life      | may be yours.   |
| 3. <u>food</u> for you,    | That your hun - ger     | and thirst   | be no more.     |
| 4. come and then           | Raise you up            | at the last  | with the blest. |
| 5. One of God,             | And be - lieve          | in the truth | you have heard. |
| 6. <u>ev - 'ry</u> breath, | Praise the One          | in whom you  | are re - born.  |



## \*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you unto life everlasting.

Amen.

## \*NUNC DIMITTIS



O Lord, now let Your ser - - vant De  
All glo - ry to the Fa - - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
glo - - ry of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
A light to lead the Gen - - tiles Un  
For as in the be - gin - - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - - ple, Your chos - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - - ter - ni - ty.

## \*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

## \*BENEDICTION

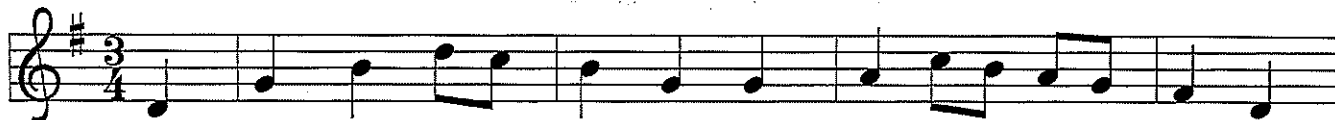
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

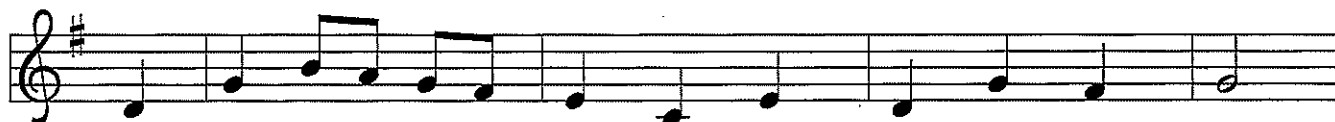
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

## \*SENDING HYMN Sent Forth by God's Blessing



1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,  
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.  
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face-



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed  
our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.  
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls  
With your feast you feed us, with your light now

**\*SENDING HYMN (Cont.)**



reach-ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.  
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us  
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.  
give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Liturgical elements from: The Lutheran Service Book, Lutheran Book of Worship & Evangelical Lutheran Worship.



## **SERVING THE FAMILY OF FAITH**

### **This Week: 7/21**

Reader: Ken Schiess

Communion: Gina Schiess

Fellowship: Barb Spelzhausen

Usher: Gary Ebeltoft

Assisting Minister: Gina Schiess

Bulletins assembled by Anna & Ali Porter

### **Next Week: 7/28**

Reader: Missy Rossin

Communion: Pr. Paul & Pr. Marty

Fellowship: Gina Schiess

Usher: Ken Schiess

**Reminder:** 7/21 Congregation Meeting.

7/28 Pr. Marty Ramey will be worshipping with us.

**Given to the Glory of God last week: \$220**