

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING A SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER? If you are interested in assisting with the Sunday School, would like to share any ideas you might have, or would like to learn more about it, Please contact Cecily Skuce at 613-721-0278. She would love to meet with you!

THE CARLINGTON COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY is celebrating 30 years of presence with a barbeque on Saturday September 23 from 11:00 to 3:00 with the barbeque at starting at 12:00. All are welcome. Donations of or for watermelons would be appreciated.

OMALT To mark the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and the ELCIC have jointly developed study materials to gather together in prayer and reflection. This will take place at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church on Wednesday evenings, from September 27 to October 25.

ST. MAURICE CATHOLIC CHURCH extends an invitation to all members of Faith Lutheran Church to join them for their Parish BBQ on Sunday Sept. 24 at 12 noon.

THANK YOU to those who clean up our messes! We are thankful for those who routinely come to sweep, mop, scour and remove trash as well as for those who jump in to clean up spills, sort out fridge leftovers, and wash kitchen linens and dishes. We appreciate your behind the scenes service in the mutual ministry of the congregation.

Please send announcements to be included in the bulletin to secretary@faithottawa.ca

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, Sept. 17th, 2017

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW)
Setting 8, p. 184



Assisting Today:

Reader – Earla Roth
Assistant – Melvin Schwalm
Cantor – Beth MacGillivray
Counting – Ian McGill &
Brian Wirth

Next Sunday:

Reader – Randy Rodgers
Assistant – Mark Quenneville
Cantor – Krista Quenneville
Counting – Ken Roeske &
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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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 us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING (ELW p. 184)

GATHERING SONG *All Creatures, Worship God Most High!* (ELW 835)

KYRIE (ELW p. 184)

CANTICLE OF PRAISE *Glory to God* (ELW p. 185)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O Lord God, merciful judge, you are the inexhaustible fountain of forgiveness. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you, that we may delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 190)

LORD'S PRAYER (ELW p. 191)

COMMUNION HYMNS

I Come with Joy (ELW 482)

As We Gather at Your Table (ELW 522)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

SENDING SONG *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness* (ELW 843)

All who desire communion with Jesus and approach the sacrament with faith, are welcome at the Lord's Table. While both the common cup and individual glasses are offered, we encourage the use of the common cup to emphasize the unity we share in the Body of Christ, the church (please indicate your preference to the servers). A non-alcohol option is available in the tray. You may also partake of bread only, or come to the table for a blessing only.



Announcements

Sabbatical committee is seeking your opinions on what worked and what didn't work for you during the sabbatical period so that we can report to the Synod on our sabbatical experience. You can email your feedback to Beth at bmacgi@gmail.com or speak to Beth or Michael Koch after a service.

SHARING THE PEACE

OFFERING COLLECTION

OFFERING SONG *Let the Vineyards be Fruitful (ELW 181):*

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW p. 190)

Children's Chat

FIRST READING: Genesis 50:15-21

A reading from Genesis.

¹⁵Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" ¹⁶So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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

PSALM (SUNG IN UNISON): Psalm 103:[1-7] 8-13

⁸LORD, you are full of compas- | sion and mercy,
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love;

⁹you will not al- | ways accuse us,
nor will you keep your an- | ger forever.

¹⁰You have not dealt with us accord- | ing to our sins,
nor repaid us according to | our iniquities.

¹¹For as the heavens are high a- | bove the earth,
so great is your steadfast love for | those who fear you.

¹²As far as the east is | from the west,
so far have you removed our transgres- | sions from us.

¹³As a father has compassion | for his children,
so you have compassion for those who fear | you, O LORD.

SECOND READING: Romans 14:1-12

A reading from Romans.

¹Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. ²Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³Those who eat must not despise those

who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

⁵Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

⁷We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. ¹¹For it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God.”

¹²So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²¹Peter came and said to [Jesus], “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

²³“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³²Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. ³⁵So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Our Father, We Have Wandered* (ELW 606)

APOSTLE’S CREED (Back cover of hymn book or ELW p.105)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**