

MEAL: (ELW p. 206)

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY: (ELW p. 207)

LORD'S PRAYER: (ELW p. 208)

COMMUNION HYMNS:

Lamb of God (ELW p. 191)

Take, Oh Take Me as I Am (x3) (ELW 814)

Change My Heart, O God (ELW 801)



15th Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, September 2nd, 2018

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW)

Setting 10, p. 203

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: Let us pray. **O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FAREWELL & GODSPEED (see insert)

BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG: *This is My Father's World* (ELW 824)

DISMISSAL

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

SOUTH AMERICAN BBQ: The youth are back from CLAY with another "Around the World" dinner! We will host a Latin American themed BBQ at Faith on Sunday Sept 16, 5 to 8pm. Come join us for an authentic Brazilian BBQ and enjoy some trivia, games, and a Peruvian missions trip presentation!

CONNECTING WITH A YOUNGER GENERATION: Saturday, October 13 at FLC. This workshop is for a broad spectrum of people from various denominations who are involved in relating with youth. For more information, please see the poster in the narthex or speak with Pastor Martin.

Upcoming Regular Events:

MEDITATION GROUP: Wednesday, September 5, 5 pm at FLC.

LECTIONARY STUDY: Monday, Sept 10, 2 pm. Lectio: Proverbs 1:20-33.

WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE: Monday, Sept 10, 7:00 pm at FLC.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Wednesday, September 12, 9 am, at Chances 'R'.

CHURCH COUNCIL: Wednesday, September 19, 7 pm at FLC.

Please check the bulletin board in the narthex for details regarding these and other community events. Please send announcements to be printed in the bulletin to the Church Secretary (secretary@faithottawa.ca) before noon on Wednesdays.



Assisting Today:

Reader: Marla de Graff

Assistant: Ron Shearer

Counters: Jann Thulien & Peter
Nabein

Next Sunday:

Reader: Jann Thulien

Assistant: Wayne Fortier

Cantor: Beth MacGillivray
Counters: Barbra Fricker &
Julia Wirth

Piano/Organ/Choir Director: David Santry

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS: (ELW p. 94)

OPENING HYMN: *Dearest Jesus* (ELW 520)

GREETING: (ELW p. 203)

KYRIE: (ELW p. 203)

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: *Glory to God* (ELW p. 204)

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Let us pray. **O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

A reading from Deuteronomy.

¹So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. ²You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

⁶You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" ⁷For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? ⁸And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

⁹But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 15 (*Sung in unison*)

SECOND READING: James 1:17-27

A reading from James.

¹⁷Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

¹⁹You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. ²¹Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

²²But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. ²³For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; ²⁴for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. ²⁵But those who look into the perfect

law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

²⁶If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Alleluia* (ELW p. 205)

GOSPEL: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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

¹Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around [Jesus], ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) ⁵So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" ⁶He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

"This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me;

⁷in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines."

⁸You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

¹⁴Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile."

²¹For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²²adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Be Thou My Vision* (ELW 793)

APOSTLE'S CREED: (ELW p. 105 or back cover of hymn book)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

SHARING THE PEACE

GIFT GATHERING AND SONG: *Let the Vineyards...* (ELW 181)

OFFERING PRAYER: Let us pray. **Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.**