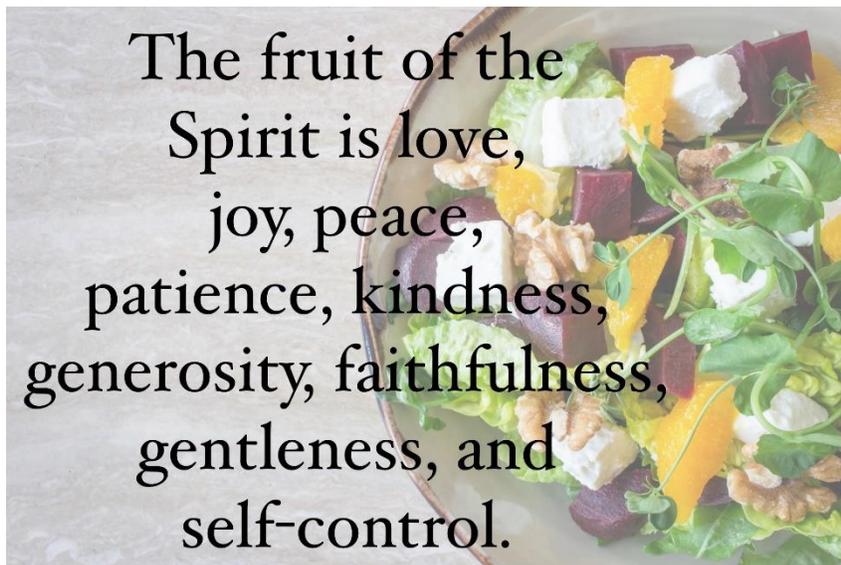


Faith Lutheran Church Andover, MA

May each person feel **invited** to this community,
equipped to use their gifts to the Glory of God,
and **sent** to serve.

Sunday, June 26, 2022, 10:00 AM
3rd Sunday after Pentecost



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**To all who join us in worship online or in person,
you are welcome here!**

We invite you to share the sacrament of holy communion with us. If you are worshipping online, please prepare by having a piece of bread or cracker and a cup of wine, grape juice or water at your side. If you are worshipping in person, you will be invited to come forward around the communion table to receive the sacrament.

Hymns may be found in the red hymnal (called the “ELW”) in front of each pew. If you are worshipping online, they are found in the back of this worship bulletin.

Join us for **coffee hour** after the service in the Fellowship Hall.

Please share your **prayer requests** either by writing them on the paper on the podium at the entrance to the worship space or by emailing them to prayers@faith-andover.org

If you would like to be added to our **weekly email list**, which shares upcoming events and activities, sign up on our website: www.faith-andover.org

For **pastoral care needs or to chat**, contact Pastor Jen at 978-806-8255, email jen@faith-andover.org, or drop in at Caffè Nero in Andover on Wednesdays between 10:00 AM and Noon.

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Welcome!

We pray this time enriches your spiritual life.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE Gavotte - Louis-Claude Daquin [William Wood, organ]

WELCOME

The assembly stands as able.

GATHERING HYMN Will You Come and Follow Me, ELW 798

CALL TO WORSHIP

The way of our God is holy.

ALL: Holy One, we seek your presence in our midst.

The way of our God is wondrous.

ALL: Wondrous God, we marvel at your works and marvelous deeds.

The way of our God is faithful.

ALL: Faithful God, we call out to you in hope.

SONG OF PRAISE Lord, I Lift Your Name on High, ELW 857

Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your prais-es.
I'm so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us.
You came from heav-en to earth to show the way, from the earth
to the cross, my debt to pay, from the cross to the grave,
from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.

Text: Rick Founds, b. 1954
Music: Rick Founds
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OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Liberating One, we keep you before us. Our souls rejoice and our hearts are gladdened. Our very beings find safety and security in your presence. We approach you with thanksgiving and anticipation. Enliven us to be your people in the world. Embolden us to live in freedom. Empower us to be your good news. Stand up in us and show us the path of life.

ALL: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: GALATIANS 5:1, 13-25

Introduction:

For Paul, the author of this letter to the people in Galatia, the freedom Christ gives is not permission to do whatever we want. It is the invitation to be what we could not be otherwise. The power and guidance of Christ's Holy Spirit produce a different kind of life, one marked by the fruit of this Holy Spirit.

A reading from Galatians.

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Word of God, word of life.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL SONG Thy Word

GOSPEL: LUKE 9:51-62

Introduction:

Jesus is unwavering in his commitment to his mission in Jerusalem and will not be swayed by pettiness. In a series of striking cases in point, he calls his disciples to a similar single-mindedness.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵¹When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.



⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” ⁵⁹To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.” ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” ⁶¹Another said, “I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” ⁶²Jesus said to him, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

The gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

MESSAGE Rev. Jeanette D. Leisk

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY O Master, Let Me Walk with You, ELW 818

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 INTERCESSION

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

God of faithfulness, set the face of your church firmly on you. Rooted in your self-giving love, may the church find freedom in loving our neighbors. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of gentleness, strengthen the earth's ability to heal. Where there are dangerous storms, bring calm. Where there are destructive fires, bring rain. Protect homes, habitats, and livelihoods threatened by climate disasters. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of peace, guide all who govern, that they place the good of their citizens above self-promotion. Anoint leaders of nations with your Spirit of neighborly love. Protect refugees and all who live under tyranny or conflict. We pray for those living in the midst of war and conflict in Ethiopia and Ukraine. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of kindness, reveal your healing presence to all who are sick or dying, Corinne and family, Dave, Lore, Pamela, Marylou, Eunice, Judy, Bill, Andrew, Laine and Drew, the Rohr family, Tim, Phil, James, and Art. Uphold those who grieve. Support the needs of any who are unemployed, hungry, or have nowhere to lay their heads. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of love, attend to those struggling with addiction, depression, or uncontrolled anger. Provide support systems and loving companions as they work toward health, that they may rest in hope and know the fullness of joy in your presence. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.
Amen.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

RECEIVING OF OFFERINGS

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Gifts may be made with cash, check, or online <https://tinyurl.com/fnem2ht6>



OFFERTORYMore Precious Than Silver [Rock of Ages]

OFFERING PRAYER

The assembly stands as able.

God of abundance:
you have set before us a plentiful harvest.
As we feast on your goodness,
strengthen us to labor in your field,
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,
in the name of Jesus.
Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

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

Merciful God,

**ALL: we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.**

**Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table.**

**When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.**

Set us again on the path of life.

**Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors.**

Amen.

Hear the good news!

God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.

In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

The preface is a prayer spoken by the presiding minister to introduce the thanksgiving – we might think of it as saying grace before the meal.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
 that we should at all times and in all places
 give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
 through our Savior Jesus Christ;
 who on this day overcame death and the grave,
 and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
 And so, with all the choirs of angels,
 with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
 we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS.....Holy, Holy, Holy, ELW S207
“Sanctus” means “holy,” and the words of this song echo the words spoken by Isaiah upon entering the presence of God.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

These words are called the “Words of Institution” and describe the meal Jesus and his friends shared the night before he was crucified.

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

This is a form of the prayer Jesus taught his followers when they asked him to teach them how to pray.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

ALL: 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Wherever you are in your faith journey, you are welcome to come to the table for Communion.

The assembly is seated.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

At this time, those gathered at home may share the elements of bread and wine that you have at your home communion table.

Those gathered in person will be invited to come forward at the direction of an usher and kneel or stand around the communion table. You will be given a wafer (gluten-free are also available) by the pastor, which you may then consume. An assisting minister will invite you to take a pre-filled cup of white wine or red grape juice, which you may then consume before returning to your seat. The tray also has individually-wrapped communion elements for those who prefer.

If you prefer to stay at your seat and have the pastor bring you communion, please let an usher know.

COMMUNION.....Lamb of God, ELW S208



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION Create in Me a Clean Heart [Rock of Ages]

The assembly stands as able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds
and fed us with your mercy.
Now send us forth to live for others,
both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love.
This we pray in the name of Jesus.

ALL: Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

The God of peace,
Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life
this day and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN.....Oil of Gladness [Rock of Ages]

The assembly is seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE..... Voluntary - William Croft [William Wood, organ]



PRAYER LIST

for Corinne Williams and family, upon the death of her brother George Brooks;
for Dave, brother of Bill Neuman, for healing;
for Lore Benkert, Chris Banta's and Karin Pantleon's aunt, for comfort and peace, as she enters hospice care;
for Pamela Levinson, friend of Chris Banta, for peace and comfort, in hospice care;
for Marylou Bissonnette, sister of Robin Popp, for healing;
for Eunice Schauer, Tom Schauer's mother;
for Judy McGrath, Brian Scanlon's mother;
for Bill Burns, friend of Laurel and Bill Roebuck;
for Kate Robinson's nephew Andrew, and his parents, Laine and Drew;
for the Rohr family, for Tim Tincknell, Phil Liaboe, James Lino, Art Derbyshire.

We are a praying congregation. In order to keep our prayer list current, please let us know of any additions or changes by email to prayers@faith-andover.org. We will pray in worship for 3 weeks, unless you tell us otherwise.

Assisting in Worship Today

Presider/Preacher: Rev. Jeanette D. Leisk

Assisting Minister: Roberta Ede

Reader: Joan Baird

Organist: William Wood

Praise Band Leader: Ingrid Marstaller

Rock of Ages band members include: Greg Bird, Steve Giordano, Bill Hartzell, Brian Scanlon, Dave Schweizer, Tammy Skwierczynski, Rebecca Zammuto
Altar Care: Caroline D'Agostino, Suzanne Neuman

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Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

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 Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional
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Thy Word

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path

When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way,
Still You're here right beside me.
Nothing will I fear, as long as you are near
Please be near me to the end

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path

O Master, Let Me Walk with You

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with you in low - ly
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
 3 Teach me your pa - tience; share with me a clos - er,
 4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

paths of ser - vice true; tell me your se - cret;
 win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward
 dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith
 fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, in peace that on - ly

help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
 feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
 sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
 you can give; with you, O Mas - ter, let me live.

Text: Washington Gladden, 1836-1918, alt.
 Music: MARYTON, H. Percy Smith, 1825-1898

More Precious Than Silver

1. Lord, You are more precious than silver
Lord, You are more costly than gold
Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds
And nothing I desire compares with You

2. Lord, Your love is deeper than the ocean
Lord, Your love is wider than the sea
Lord, Your love encompasses the nations
There's nothing I want more, inside of me

1. Lord, You are more precious than silver
Lord, You are more costly than gold
Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds
And nothing I desire compares with You

Create in Me a Clean Heart

- Verse* Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God
 And renew a right spirit within me
 Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God
 And renew a right spirit within me
- Chorus* Cast me not a-way from Thy presence, O Lord
 Take not Thy Holy Spirit from me
 Re-store unto me the joy of Thy salvation
 And renew a right spirit within me
- Verse* Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me
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- Chorus* Cast me not away from Thy presence, O Lord
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Oil of Gladness

Chorus You have given me the oil of gladness,
The garment of praise instead of mourning
A shining crown instead of ashes, and glory in the place of despair

Chorus

Verse 1 I delight greatly in You, my soul rejoices and sings
For You took my empty life and filled it with every good thing

Chorus You have given me the oil of gladness
The garment of praise instead of mourning
A shining crown instead of ashes
And glory in the place of despair

Verse 2 When my life was without purpose, You gave me a reason to live
Now my heart is full of thanksgiving for all of the riches You give

Chorus You have given me the oil of gladness
The garment of praise instead of mourning
A shining crown instead of ashes
And glory in the place of despair



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