

# Live by Faith, Not by Sight Hebrews 11:1-16

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#### WELCOME

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### **AS WE GATHER**

Today's Epistle is from Hebrews 11, the "by faith" chapter. It lists heroes of faith, people who trusted in God's promises, assured of what they hoped for (the definition of faith). The Reading from Genesis singles out Abram believing God, for which God counted it to him as righteousness. Now we can look back, knowing that in one descendant of Abraham, Jesus, all God's promises were kept. His calming words in the Gospel give us the assurance we need to rely on God's care and concern when we don't have all we think we need. "Seek [God's] kingdom, and these things will be added to you," He promises (Luke 12:31). Our faith-filled response echoes today's Psalm: "Let Your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in You" (Psalm 33:22).

# **OPENING HYMN** REJOICE MY HEART BE GLAD AND SING LSB 737, vs. 1–5

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

\*INVOCATION

### \*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Luke 12:32

- P Let us go to our gracious God, confessing our sins, trusting Him for grace and forgiveness.
- We confess, heavenly Father, that 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.

Forgive us for Jesus' sake, strengthen our faith, and focus our hearts on Your kingdom, the inheritance He won for us in His death and resurrection.

- P "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

### \*HYMN REJOICE MY HEART, BE GLAD AND SING

**LSB 737,** vs. 6–7

 His wisdom never plans in vain Nor falters nor mistakes.
 All that His counsels may ordain A blessèd ending makes. 7 Upon your lips, then, lay your hand, And trust His guiding love; Then like a rock your peace shall stand Here and in heav'n above.

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### \*KYRIE

- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P 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.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

### \*SALUTATION

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service.
- C Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life;
- P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

# HYMN FOR THE WORD I KNOW MY FAITH IS FOUNDED

**LSB 587,** vs. 1–2

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 15:1–6

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." <sup>4</sup>And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 33:12–22

<sup>12</sup>Blessèd is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!

13The LORD looks down from heaven;
 he sees all the children of man;
 14from where he sits enthroned he looks out

on all the inhabitants of the earth,

<sup>15</sup>he who fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds

<sup>16</sup>The king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

<sup>17</sup>The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue.

<sup>18</sup>Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love,

<sup>19</sup>that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

<sup>20</sup>Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

<sup>21</sup>For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

<sup>22</sup>Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

**EPISTLE**Hebrews 11:1–16

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>For by it the people of old received their commendation. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

<sup>4</sup>By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. <sup>5</sup>By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. <sup>6</sup>And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. <sup>7</sup>By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup>By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup>For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him

faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

<sup>13</sup>These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. <sup>14</sup>For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

\*HOLY GOSPEL Luke 12:22–34

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>22</sup>[Jesus] said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. <sup>23</sup>For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. <sup>24</sup>Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! <sup>25</sup>And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>26</sup>If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? <sup>27</sup>Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>28</sup>But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! <sup>29</sup>And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. <sup>30</sup>For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. <sup>31</sup>Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

<sup>32</sup>"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

\*NICENE CREED Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

SERMON "SIX WORDS" SELECTED VERSES FROM HEBREWS 11
HYMN OF RESPONSE HAVE NO FEAR, LITTLE FLOCK LSB 735

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### \*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition:

- P Lord, hear our prayer.
- C Let Your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in You.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### \*PREFACE

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.

- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

### \*PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

#### \*LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

### \*PAX DOMINI

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

# \*AGNUS DEI sung—tune LSB 180

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; Grant us peace, grant us peace.

**DISTRIBUTION** Please use the pew cards to register your attendance at Holy Communion, placing cards in the offering plate as you exit.

HYMN	SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US	LSB 711
HYMN	WE WALK BY FAITH AND NOT BY SIGHT	LSB 720
HYMN	SING PRAISE TO THE GOD OF ISRAEL	LSB 936

### \*POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

### \*BENEDICTION

- P 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.
- C Amen.

HYMN TO DEPART

REJOICE, O PILGRIM THRONG

**LSB 813,** vs. 1, 3, 5–7

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# **Serving our Lord**

	August 7, 2022	August 14, 2022
Musician	Diane Streich	Merlin Simon
Cantor	Dave Workman	Andy Koch
Altar Guild	Sharon Drews	Sharon Drews
Elder	Sam Erdman	Jon Peterson
Reader	Keith Prusak	Peter Olsen
Usher Team	Layne Streich and Lance Halverson	Gary Sheets
Greeter(s)	Open	Open
Acolyte(s)	Seth Halverson and Eli Halverson	Eric Hakanson and Sean Hakanson
Projection	Peter Olsen	Peter Olsen
Live Stream	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas

COMI	NG UP AT TLO -	—August 7, 2022 —August 14, 2022
NINET	TH SUNDAY AFT	ER PENTECOST
Sun	9:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15am	Adult Bible classHebrews
	12:30pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible study
Tue	7:00pm	Elders meeting
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible study
TENTI	H SUNDAY AFTE	R PENTECOST
Sun	9:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15am	NYG presentation followed by Hebrews study
	12:30pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship
*wor	ship online at w	ww.trinityloneoak.org

# **Positions available**

TLO is looking for a few nurturing individuals to join our preschool staff and schoolage after school program for 2022-23 school year. Positions we are hiring for include:

- Part time preschool aide between the hours of 8:00am-1:00pm, 3 days a week with the potential to become more.
- 'Rule 3 qualified' substitute teachers and aides for preschool.
- Individuals to work preschool and K-8 after-school programs. This is a perfect position for college students.
- Substitute teachers for our K-8 school

For more information please contact Preschool Director, Heather Bielec at heather.bielec@tloschool.org, Principal Kathryn Jones at *kathryn.jones@tloschool.org*, or the school office at 651-454-1139.





The Gideons International are distributing free pocket bibles at the Dakota County Fair, August 8-14. Stop by and say 'hello' in the South Exhibit Hall. Last year over 1,900 scriptures were distributed! --Jim Nicklas

### **WEEKLY DEPOSITS: July 31, 2022**

General Fund Income:	 
Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$ 4,341.00
(Our offering budget is \$8,175 per week)	
Building Reserve Fund	\$ 575.75
(Our offering budget is \$665 for per week)	
1883 School Annual Fund	\$ 556.50
VBS	\$ 51.50
Woodland restoration	\$ 51.50
Tuition	\$ 20,662.81
Church and school fees	\$ 2,276.65
Subtotal General Fund Income	\$ 28,515.71
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)	 
YTF2	\$ 421.50
Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$ 56.50
Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$ 478.00



# **New Pastor at Trinity Farmington**

Today, Sunday, August 7 | 4:00pm

Trinity Farmington invites you to the ordination and installation worship service of their new pastor, Christian Einertson! A joyful and festive potluck meal will follow the service.

# **Sermon Series starts today**

The book of Hebrews compares and contrasts Jesus to key historical people and events from the Old Testament. Through these comparisons, we see Christ's superiority. He is greater than the angels, the Law, Moses, the promised land, earthly priests, sacrifices, and the covenant. That's why we are calling our five-week look at Hebrews, "Fix Our Eyes on Jesus." The Sunday morning Bible class will look at pivotal points in the book, while the sermon lineup is as follows:

Date		Text	_	Theme
August 7	_	Hebrews 11:1–16	·	Live by Faith, Not by Sight
August 14		Hebrews 11:17-31; 12:1-3		Run by Faith
August 21		Hebrews 12:4–24		You Have Come to Mt. Zion
August 28		Hebrews 13:1–17		Imitate Their Faith
Sept. 4		Hebrews 10:19-25	- 1	No More, "Poor Me"



### Remember in Prayer

Rich Cliff, continued healing and for a peaceful transition to his new place at Walker, Lakeville Dixie Cliff, strength to face transitions

George (Ted) Hakanson, Greg's father, chemo complete; prayers for continued healing

Jan, David and Julie's sister, recovery after knee surgery August 4

Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns

Dan Linse, recovery after hand surgery August 2

For Jordan Lowry and his family, Marisa, Garrett and Eli, on his military deployment.

lan Olander, TLO Grade 3 student, undergoing MRI August 2. Pray that the tumor is truly gone and that Ian will not need any additional procedures or anti-tumor treatments.

Rob Orr--surgery August 24

John Prusak, Keith's father, struggling with Parkinson's and dementia

Verna Ratzlaff, recovering after surgery

Laverne Ziebell, prayers requested as he works through ongoing health problems

# **Ask the Professor**

# Mondays, August 22 & 29 | 10am | Conference Room

Pastor Lessing will lead the Monday morning Bible Study on August 22 & 29. The topic for both sessions will be "Ask the Professor". Come with the Bible questions that you always wanted to ask.



# Pray for VBS message

Please pray that everyone who heard the message at our VBS will embrace the Christian life, turning to Christ, our Tree of Life, and live with Him forever.



# Birthdays this week

Aug 7 Jay Howe Aug 8 Jayna Jebin

Aug 9 Nathan KohnAug 11 Christy LaValle, Katelyn Lindemann

Aug 12 Sharon Drews, Elizabeth Zenda-Johnson

Aug 13 Clifford Kirchner, Christopher Martin

### Anniversaries this week

Aug 8 Kevin and Tricia McNair

Aug 10 Aaron and Katie Peterson

Aug 11 Jim and Connie Kohn, Kevin and Bethany Olander

Aug 13 Gerry and Diane Groth



#### **Welcome Guests**

We are glad you are here today! Here are a few things we thought you would like to know to help you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting please introduce yourself to one of our pastors, a greeter or an usher. We love to make new friends!

**For those with small children,** a nursery is available, located in the narthex, if you need a place to care for your child. Children's bulletins are in the narthex, or ask an usher.

**Restrooms** are located to the east end of the narthex near the main entrance.

Large print copies of the worship folder are available. Please ask an usher.

**Today we celebrate Holy Communion.** Please speak with one of our pastors or an elder before communing if this is your first time receiving the Lord's Supper at TLO. The light-colored wine in the center of the individual communion tray is de-alcoholized wine, where the alcohol is reduced to .05%.

# **VBS Wrap Up**

August 14

Take a give-away bag(s) from the narthex to share with a young person in your life! Doing so will get Gospel conversations started with someone who needs to know Jesus!

72 people including children, moms, dads, grandparents and friends got to the root of things with the theme: The Tree of Life: God's Promise of Salvation! Thank you to the 21 volunteers who prepared excellent lessons and shared enthusiastically with our attendees: Lexi Becker, Roba Benya, Matthew Berg, Karen Bryngelson, Sharon Drews, Jane Holm, Jamie and Justine Kolb, Pastor and Lynn Kroonblawd, Maggie Martin, Amelia Martin, Jon and Jean Peterson, Sally Pieper, Rachel Symmank, Grant VanOverbeke, Carolyn Wesling, Marsha Workman, Amy Zenda-Johnson, Elizabeth Zenda-Johnson.

To God all praise and glory!

NYG Wrap Up

10:15am

**Grab a FREE Puffy Cream donut**, pull up a chair, and hear all about the NYG as those who attended share the experience

in all things

and how they were impacted at the LCMS Youth Gathering in Houston, TX. The wonderful message of the gathering theme "In All Things" is truly a message of hope for all to hear. Join us! And thank you to those who have supported TLO Youth and the NYG 2022 attendees! Have a donut on us, with our gratitude!