

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

✠ Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost ✠ September 3, 2017

The author of the Book of Hebrews now hints that he has said enough to prove his definition that “faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.” And yet, he goes on and quickly names Old Testament characters and anonymous receivers of God’s mercy who have walked by faith. Still, their reward was not yet complete.



This morning Pastor Haug concludes his summer sermon series based on the Hebrews 11, often known as “The Hall of Faith.” The chapter recalls the Old Testament characters who lived “by faith.” The author of the Book of Hebrews suggests that these are the mighty cloud of witnesses who stand in the “bleachers of heaven” who cheer us on in our faith.

*Inspired by Christ,
living and growing in faith,
we are a loving and open community
of worship, witness, and service in God’s world.*



Prelude
Welcome
Call to
Worship

✠ Gathering ✠

Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world. We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Prelude on Jefferson

K. Vigne

Psalm 33

Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.

The LORD looks down from heaven; he sees all humankind.

From where he sits enthroned he watches all the inhabitants of the earth he who fashions the hearts of them all, and observes all their deeds.

A king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

The war horse is a vain hope for victory, and by its great might it cannot save.

Truly the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, to deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine.

Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and shield.

Our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen

Gathering
Hymn

Sing With All the Saints in Glory

ELW #426

Apostolic
Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the
Day

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Please be seated.

✠ Word ✠

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community
As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

Children's Message

**Dismissal
Song**

Our God is an Awesome God

Our God is an awe - some God, he
 reigns from heav - en a - bove with wis - dom,
 pow'r, and love— our God is an awe - some God!
 Our God is an awe - some God! Our God is an awe - some God!

Hebrews 11: 32-40

Reading

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, 40 since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as
you are able.



Sing twice.

Matthew 16:21-28

After Peter confesses that Jesus is “the Messiah, the Son of the living God” (16:16), Jesus reveals the ultimate purpose of his ministry. These words prove hard to accept, even for a disciple whom Jesus has called a “rock.”

Gospel Verse

Refrain



Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

Text: Psalm 119:105, Amy Grant, b. 1960
Music: THY WORD, Michael W. Smith, b. 1957

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P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel

²¹From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” ²³But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

²⁷“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Apostles’ Creed

**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.**

*Congregation,
please be seated*

Hymn of the Day

*Please stand as
you are able.*



Offering

**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**

Sermon

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

ELW #808

Prayers of the Church

P: Open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

A: We pray for the church and its mission. Make your church ready to lose its life for your sake....Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

*After the greeting, please **share a word** of peace with your neighbors.*

Please be seated

Mélodie - Élégie

Jules Massenet

✠ Offering ✠

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

Offertory
Please stand as
you are able.

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho-ly One,
give thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ, his Son.
Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho-ly One,
give thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ, his Son.
And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. And
now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Text: Henry Smith
Music: GIVE THANKS, Henry Smith

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**Offertory
Prayer**

A: God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. **Amen.**

✠ **Meal** ✠

We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world

Great Thanksgiving

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 our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...

1.

Sing through one time, then lectern side sings 1 & 2, pulpit side sings 2 & 1

2.

You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

Text: Per Harling, b. 1948

Music: Per Harling

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Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table is ready. All are welcome.



As the deer pants for the wa-ter, so my soul longs af-ter you.
You a-lone are my heart's de-sire and I long to wor-ship you.
You a-lone are my strength, my shield, to you a-lone may my spir-it yield;
you a-lone are my heart's de-sire, and I long to wor-ship you.

Text: Martin J. Nystrom
Music: AS THE DEER, Martin J. Nystrom

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Meditation from Thaïs

Jules Massenet

Distribution

Communion is by common cup or intinction: For the common cup, receive a piece of the bread, and drink from the white chalice. For intinction dip the bread into the brown cup with the wine (dark) or grape juice (light) as you prefer, then eat. At Lake of the Isles, we practice open communion. All who hunger for the presence of Christ in their life are welcome at this table.

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Please be seated

Communion Verse



Distribution Music

Please stand as you are able.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore

C: **Amen.**

✠ *SENDING* ✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

Let All Things Now Living

ELW #881

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord makes his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Dance on The Ash Grove

K. Vigne

You are invited to remain for the Postlude to enjoy this musical offering of thanksgiving and praise or leave quietly.

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WELCOME

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Pastor
Organist
Choir Director
Guest Musician
Worship Assistant
Ushers
Altar Servers

Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug
Kenneth Vigne
Dawn Allan
Michelle McCreery
Kathy Hering
Linda Nelson and Anita Duder
Pauline Haug and Linda Nelson



Sending Hymn

	Reader	Sean Coleman
	Communion Assistant	Mary Knoblauch
	Coffee Host	Bruce and Mary Sabatke
CHURCH OFFICERS	President	Marty Carlson
	Vice President	Ross Formell
	Treasurer	Ross Bartels
STAFF	Youth Ministry Director	Diane LaMere
	Custodian	Dane Peterson
	Office Manager	Linda Nelson

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall or Patio
	4:00 pm	Gilligan/Eppel Wedding	Sanctuary
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4		LABOR DAY – CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
	7:00 pm	AA	Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5	9:15 am	Prayer Ministry	Christy Room
	5:15 pm	SA Support Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	SS Teacher Training	Library
	7:00 pm	AA Spiritual Recovery Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	LOTI Men’s AA Group	Room 56
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6	10:00 am	Bible Study	Christy Room
	12:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Confirmation	Christy Room
	7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7	12:00 pm	Al Anon	Fellowship Hall
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8	5:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal	Sanctuary
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9	2:00 pm	Briggs/Yanda Wedding	Sanctuary
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion	Sanctuary
		And Sunday School – RALLY SUNDAY	
	10:45 am	Pie and Ice Cream Social	Patio
	4:00 pm	Holy Land Informational Meeting	Christy Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER LIST



Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of

thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:

Marlene Wilson, Maxine Peitso, Shirley Carlson, Alice Gunter, LOTI members; **Lynne Williamson;** friend of the Kuehn Family; **Linda Sabatke,** sister-in-law of Bruce and Mary Sabatke; **Emmie Burton,** friend of Bruce and Mary Sabatke; **Jackie Waite,** friend of Cheri Moe; **Sam**

Pederson, nephew of Jenny Cook; **Vangie Hagfors,** cousin of Dave Hagford..

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP MATERIALS

Children are invited to use the worship materials throughout the service. Materials are located in the narthex and are organized by age group.

NURSERY AVAILABLE

Children are always welcome in worship. The nursery will not be staffed over the summer months so if you need to take your child out, the Christy Room is available. The Christy Room is located to the left of the sanctuary through the side door at the front of the church and across from the church office. Follow the

signs for the alternative route to the Nursery from the back of the church. If you need assistance, please ask one of the ushers to help you. There is a baby changing table available in the unisex restroom between the pastor's office and the sacristy.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING
SCAN TO GIVE**



Loved Ones In The Military
Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Elizabeth Robertson
9/1

Magnus Skold
9/1

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN**

It's time to register for Sunday School! We are looking forward to starting Sunday School on Rally Sunday, September 10. Sunday School is offered for children who are age 3 by September 1 through those entering 6th grade. Registration can be done online by going to the website (www.lotfi.org) or you can pick up registration forms at both entrances to the sanctuary.

ADDITIONAL PARKING SPACE

If you are unable to find street parking, we can use the Kenwood School parking lot for overflow parking.

The lot is on the back side of the school and can be accessed off from W. 21st St. directly across from Birchbark Books.

**PIE AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
10:45 A.M.**

The annual pie and ice cream social will be held on September 10th. We will need pie donations and volunteers to help set up, serve and clean-up afterwards. **Please e-mail or call Linda in the church office (612 377-5095) (linda.nelson@lotfi.org) if you can contribute a pie and/or help out that morning.** There is also a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall.

2018 TRIP TO THE HOLY LAND

Pastor Haug has worked together with Group Travel Directors for a 12 day trip to the Holy Land from February 27th to March 10, 2018. An informational meeting will be held on Sunday afternoon, September 10th. Brochures for the trip are available at the church. You can also view the tour on line at <http://www.gtd.org/post/pdfbrochure/180208.pdf>

**SPEAKER SERIES "WORKING"
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

"Working" is the theme of a speaker series that began this summer and will continue running once a month through the course of the next year. It's inspired by the Studs Terkel book of that name in which "people talk about what they do all day and how they feel about what they do." There are many people within our congregation engaged in fascinating work. This series gives us an opportunity to learn more about our members and the work they are involved in.

The next segment of the series will be on Sunday, September 17th and will feature Lake of the Isles Lutheran member, Mark Duff. Captain Mark Duff is a Delta Airlines pilot and is currently "Special Project Manager for the Airbus A350XWB. That job entails all aspects of taking delivery and putting into service a new aircraft type for Delta Air Lines. After this project is completed, he'll return to line flying and line instruction as a Senior Line Instructor Pilot.

Mark's talk will take place after a brief coffee break following the Sunday morning service. Those who are interested will be invited to take their coffee/tea into the Christy Room for about 45 minutes. The first 20 minutes will be an informal talk by Mark about his work...leaving the remaining time for questions from those in attendance.

**NEW CONVERSATION AND CUISINE
GROUPS FORMING**

Conversation and Cuisine is a casual evening of getting better acquainted while enjoying a meal in our homes (or choice of a restaurant). Groups made up of 6-8 members and friends of Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church gather for three meals during the course of the year. If you would like to participate in the 2017-2018 groups, please let Janna Haug know by September 30th. You can talk to her during church coffee or email her at jannahaug@yahoo.com

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Women's Bible Study will begin in a few weeks. Please consider joining us for our next study. We will read "Fierce: Women of the Bible and their stories of violence, mercy, bravery, wisdom, sex, and salvation" by Alice Connor. These women's stories are messy, challenging, and beautiful. When we read their stories, we can see not only their particular, fearsome lives but also our own. You can purchase your book through Amazon as a paperback or eBook.

Please contact Debra Gilroy or Linda Nelson to indicate your interest at your earliest convenience. We are tentatively planning to start on Thursday, September 21st at 7:00 p.m..

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Do you love to read? Are you interested in exploring your faith in fiction and non-fiction writings sure to stir the soul? If your answer is a resounding "YES", please consider joining LOTI's new book club!

Please contact Debra Gilroy or Linda Nelson if you are interested. We will then schedule a brief informational session to set a meeting date and book selection. Our goal is to meet every one to two months.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Join us this summer for Wednesday morning Bible Study at 10:00. The informal study will explore the Old Testament character found in the Hall of Faith, as well as readings from the Book of Psalms. And yes, coffee and treats are a part of every Wednesday morning.

LIVING LUTHERAN

Copies of the September issue of "Living Lutheran" are available at both entrances to the sanctuary. Please feel free to take one.

**EXTENDED CALENDAR
OF LOTI CHURCH SERVICES**

& Events



September 5

Sunday School New Teacher Training
7:00-8:00 p.m.

September 6

Confirmation Class
7:00 p.m.

September 10

Rally Sunday and
Pie and Ice Cream Social

September 10

Informational Meeting
2018 Trip to the Holy Land
4:00 p.m.

September 17

Speaker Series "Working"
10:45 a.m.

September 21

Women's Bible Study
7:00 p.m.

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M-T 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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