

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Today	Worship @ CAT	8:00 AM
.....	Worship (Facebook Live) @ BRF	9:45 AM
.....	Bible Class @ BRF.....	11:00 AM
.....	JCI Worship Service	6:00 PM
Monday	Council Meeting @ CAT	6:00 PM
Tuesday	LWMS Executive Meeting @ BRF.....	1:00 PM
.....	Outreach Meeting @ BRF.....	5:30 PM
Wednesday	JCI Pastoral Visit	1:30 PM
Next Sunday	Worship @ CAT	8:00 AM
.....	Worship (Facebook Live) @ BRF	9:45 AM
.....	Bible Class @ BRF.....	11:00 AM



DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday	1 Kings 19:9-18	Matthew 14:22-33
Monday	Mark 9:33-37	Luke 14:7-11
Tuesday	1 Samuel 17:40-51	1 Samuel 24:1-13, 17-21
Wednesday	Luke 7:1-10	Ezekiel 17:22-24
Thursday	Acts 12:18-25	Jonah 3:1-10
Friday	Galatians 1:11-24	2 Samuel 16:5-14
Saturday	Ephesians 2:1-7	Isaiah 57:15-21



Jesus—The Bread Of Life



...Rooted in Christ...Reaching Out with the Word

FAITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

BLACK RIVER FALLS LOCATION

N6598 County Rd. A. Black River Falls, WI 54615
Worship Time: 9:45 a.m. (summer)

CATARACT LOCATION

N6774 Acorn Ave. Sparta, WI 54656
Worship Time: 8:00 a.m. (summer)

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Jesus was hated by those who had no love for the truth. The people complained about him because he didn't fulfill THEIR false expectations about the Messiah being an earthly king. In response, Jesus reaffirmed his deity. He informed them that he is the "Bread of Life," and only those who eat of him, which is to believe on him, have eternal life.

WORSHIP HOSPITALITY

*We are pleased that you have joined us for worship. If you are in need of **restrooms**, they are located in the hallway to the right as you exit the sanctuary. If your child becomes restless during the service there is a **quiet room** outside the sanctuary if you need to take them out. **Hearing assistance** is available in Black River Falls, please speak to an usher. And if it has become difficult to stand for longer periods of time, **please do not feel that you must stand** each time the congregation is invited to stand.*

A FEW NOTES ON OUR WORSHIP

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FEEDING ON JESUS—THE BREAD OF LIFE

In a little over 4 weeks our new Sunday School and Bible Class year kicks off at Faith in Black River Falls and Cataract.

- *Sunday School & Bible Class:* Starting Sunday, September 12 at 9:15 a.m. in Black River Falls.
- *Sunday Bible Class:* Starting Sunday, September 12 at 11 a.m. in Cataract.
- *6-8th Grade Confirmation:* Starting on Wednesday, September 8 in Black River Falls.
- *Learning to Know your Bible Better (Basic Instruction Class):* Starting on Thursday, September 16 at 6:30 p.m.
- *Wednesday Bible Class:* Starting Wednesday September 8 at 7 p.m. in Black River Falls.

God help us to let his word dwell in us richly, and therefore do all we can to make it a reality that we sit at the feet of our Savior to hear the one thing needful—his Word. For more information about Bible Classes please watch for the Bible Class Schedule that will be made available later this month!

THANK YOU

A big thank you to everyone who helped out for the Bible Soccer Camp—teachers, helpers, those in charge of crafts and snacks, those who brought food and loaned soccer balls and cones, and everyone else who helped out in some way or other. The three days were, by God’s grace, a great success.

COUNCIL MEETING

The Church Council meets tomorrow—August 16—at 6 p.m. at our Cataract campus.

OUTREACH MEETING

The next Outreach Meeting will be Tuesday, August 17, at 5:30 pm, at our Black River Falls campus.

PASTOR OUT OF THE OFFICE

Pastor will out of the office from Thursday, August 19—Tuesday, August 24. If a pastoral emergency should arise, please contact him on his cell phone—715-721-2011.

FAITH TEACHERS MEETING

The Faith teachers will meet for their first meeting on Sunday, August 29, at 11 am at our Black River Falls campus.

SERVICE TIME CHANGE

We are a few weeks away yet, but so that you can start mentally preparing yourself, our worship service times will change on Sunday, September 12. On that Sunday, the morning schedule will look like this:

8 am—Worship in Black River Falls

9:15 am—Bible Class and Sunday School in Black River Falls

9:45 am—Worship in Cataract

11 am—Bible Class in Cataract

Holy Communion—a note to our guests

The Bible tells us that those who receive communion together are to:

1. *Recognize that Christ’s true body and blood are present in the Sacrament (1 Corinthians 11:29),*
2. *Examine themselves (1 Corinthians 11:28),*
3. *Be united in faith with the congregation with which they commune (1 Corinthians 10:17).*

*Since it is not possible for us to know whether unity in these areas exist apart from a person’s public confession, we practice **close communion**. That is, we invite those who have publicly confessed oneness with us by membership in our congregation or another WELS congregation to come forward to join us for Holy Communion. If you have questions concerning this practice, or would like to establish a communion fellowship with us, please speak with our pastor. He would be happy to explore God’s Word with you.*

Prayer Before Worship

Lord of Glory, stir up our hearts by the power of your word. Through the proper understanding of your law, lead us to see and to confess the sins of which we have been guilty. Uplift us by the knowledge of your grace and forgiveness in Christ. Instruct and inspire us to live this week as your true children. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Service Participants

Presiding Minister

Pastor Joel Neumann

Organists

Mrs. Rachel Neumann (8 a.m.)

Mr. Malachi Neumann (8 a.m.)

Mrs. Nancy Templeton (9:45 a.m.)



Service of Word and Sacrament

OPENING HYMN

Every Morning Mercies New | 580

please stand for the final verse

INVOCATION

P: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

ABSOLUTION

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called

BLESSING

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus | 169

FAITH IN ACTION

DEDICATION TO THE WORD OF GOD

- Worshipers Last Sunday 68
- Bible Class 35

SUNDAY SERMONS

Copies of Sunday sermons can be found in the gathering area. Sermons can also be found online at www.faihwels.com.

THANKSGIVING

THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joyce and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

P: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - - men.

servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

P: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

P: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

P: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:

P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

O LORD, OUR LORD

Be Seated

PERSONAL PREPARATION—*The inside cover of the hymnal may be helpful*

Our congregation practices the biblical teaching of close communion. The Bible teaches that communing together signifies a oneness in faith, life, and worship. Reception of the Lord's Supper by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which doesn't exist. Therefore, if you are a member of Faith or a sister Wisconsin Synod congregation, we invite you to commune with us today.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds | 358

Please stand

va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is (+) my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.
O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,
you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;
you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the
King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,
how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and give us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

1 Kings 19:3-8

³Elijah was afraid, and he ran for his life. He went to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and he left his servant there. ⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness. There he sat down under a broom tree, where he prayed that he would die. He said, "I've had enough, LORD. Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers." ⁵Then he lay down and went to sleep under the broom tree.

Suddenly an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat."

⁶Then he looked around, and near his head there was a loaf of bread baking on coals and a jar of water, so he ate and drank, and then he lay down again.

⁷Then the angel of the LORD came back a second time and touched him and said, "Get up and eat, because the journey is too much for you."

⁸So he got up and ate and drank. Then, with the strength gained from that food he walked for forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mountain of God.

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 5:11-6:3

¹¹We have much to say about this, and it is difficult to explain, because you have become too lazy to listen. ¹²In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the beginning principles of God's word all over again. You have become people who need milk, not solid food. ¹³For everyone who lives on milk is not acquainted with the word of righteousness, because he is still an infant. ¹⁴But solid food is for mature people, who have their senses trained by practice to distinguish between good and evil.

^{6:1}Therefore, leaving the beginning discussion of Christ, let us press on toward matters that require greater maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance

P: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -

GATHERING OF THE OFFERING

This is a moment in our worship when members and friends of Faith respond to God's good news with gifts to support His work. If you are a visitor, please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. You are our guests—we rejoice in the opportunity to share God's Word with you!

THE PRAYERS

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

from dead works, of faith in God, ²of the teaching about baptisms, of the laying on of hands, of the resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment. ³And we will do this, if God permits.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Alleluia.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please stand

GOSPEL

John 6:41-51

⁴¹So the Jews started grumbling about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They asked, “Isn’t this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? So how can he say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?”

⁴³Jesus answered them, “Stop grumbling among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the Last Day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, ‘They will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me. ⁴⁶I am not saying that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God. He is the one who has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Amen, Amen, I tell you: The one who believes in me has eternal life.

⁴⁸“I am the Bread of Life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that anyone may eat it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats this bread, he will live forever. The bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be Seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor | 352

SERMON

John 6:41-51

The Jesus Diet

- I. Note the heavenly ingredients
- II. Enjoy the eternal benefits

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.