FAMILY OF FAITH
LUTHERAN CHURCH LCMC

October 4, 2026
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

MISSION STATEMENT
Connecting people to Jesus,
to God's Word, and each other.

Family of Faith Lutheran, LCMC

Worship Service 10:15 am October 4, 2026

+ denotes to stand, if able

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude:

Hymn: *The Heart of Worship* screen

+Call to Worship

P: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

+Confession and Assurance

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Offering our Gifts to God:

P: Let us pray.

Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions—signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us—Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Offertory: *Doxology* LBW # 565

Special Music:

We Hear God's Word:

1st Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7 **C: Thanks be to God**
2nd Reading: Philippians 3:12—4:1 **C: Thanks be to God**
+P: Gospel according to…
Matthew 21:33-46 **C: Glory to you O Lord**
P: The Gospel of our Lord **C: Praise to you O Christ**

Sermon: "Straining for the Goal" Pastor Phil

Hymn: *Nearer My God to Thee* screen

+Holy Communion

Invitation
Words of Institution

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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

Administration of the Sacrament

Communion Music:

Communion Blessing

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

+We Pray:

P: For…
P: Lord in your mercy… **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: All these things and whatever else you would have us bring before you, by your Spirit we place them in your hands trusting in your grace through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who taught us to pray.

+The Lord's Prayer

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.

+Sending:

P: The LORD bless us and keep us; the LORD make his face to shine upon us and be gracious to us; the LORD turn his face toward us and give us peace
C: Amen.

Hymn: *In Christ Alone* screen

P: Go in Peace – Serve the Lord
C: Thanks be to God

Postlude:

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