

ORDER OF WORSHIP: JULY 18 • 9AM • STEINER HALL  
Pastor Dale Peterson and Pastor Katie Escalante, *presiding*  
Music by the Prime Time Band

Prelude "All The People Said Amen" Pastor Katie

Pastoral Greeting Pastor Katie

Gathering Song "Come Now is the Time to Worship" Pastor Katie

Call to Worship Pastor Katie

*Come among us, Healing God; we wait for you.*

**We come, hungry for your Word to bless us.**

*Come among us, Gentle Christ; we hope in you.*

**We come, hungry to be filled with the Bread of Heaven.**

*Come among us, Restoring Spirit; we wait and hope in you.*

**We come, eager to rest in your peace.**

Prayer of the Day Pastor Katie

*With you, God of Wholeness:*

**Those who work the graveyard shift of life find the dawn of resurrection;  
those who look for healing are led to the living waters.**

*Christ our Gentle Companion:*

**Richer than Bill Gates or Warren Buffet, you chose to become as poor as  
Mother Teresa, to touch us with hope; you set aside Glory's robe, to wear  
the servant's towel, so we might touch you and be made whole.**

*Spirit of Grace:*

**You encircle us with love which never ends; you touch us with grace and  
gentleness which mends all brokenness; you pour out mercy, which heals  
any wound we cause or experience.**

*God of grace and gentleness, full of power and might:*

**Receive our prayers in Jesus name, AMEN.**

Children's Message Shannon Anderson

Theme Verse Galatians 5:22-23 Pastor Dale

**The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity,  
faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such  
things.**

First Reading JAMES 3:13-18 Pastor Dale

*Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that  
your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter*

*envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the  
truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual,  
and devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be  
disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure,  
then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a  
trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace  
for those who make peace.*

*The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.***

Gospel Reading MATTHEW 11:28-30 Pastor Dale

*'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I  
will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle  
and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy,  
and my burden is light.'*

*The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.***

Pulpit Song "Heart of Worship"

Sermon THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT: GENTLENESS Pastor Dale

Song of the Day "Goodness of God"

Prayers of the People Pastor Katie

Welcome & Announcements Pastor Katie

Offering "Graves Into Gardens"

Offertory Prayer Pastor Katie

The Great Thanksgiving Pastor Katie

Communion Distribution

Communion Song "All Who Are Thirsty"

Communion Blessing Pastor Katie

Sending Out Prayer Pastor Katie

**O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see  
the ending, by paths yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith  
to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that  
your hand is leading us and your love supporting us through Jesus Christ  
our Lord. Amen.**

Benediction Pastor Katie

Sending Song "God So Loved"

Dismissal Go in peace, serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** Pastor Katie

Postlude

**Monday, July 19**

10am: Sagusa Book Study - Fireside

**Tuesday, July 20**

10am: Staff Meeting - Steiner Hall

6:30pm: Church Council Meeting-Virtual

7pm: AA/Alanon

**Wednesday, July 21**

9am: Knit & Natter-Fireside

7pm: Call Committee Meeting - Fireside

**Thursday, July 22**

8am: Men's Text Study - Virtual

9:30am: Moms Connect - Steiner Hall

1pm: Pastor's Book Study - Fireside Room

6:30pm : Pastor's Book Study - Virtual

**Friday, July 23**

7pm: AA/Alanon

**Sunday, July 25**

9am: Worship in the Sanctuary

11am: Baby Shower for Pastor Katie



We hope all the youth participating in Summer Stretch have a wonderful time this week!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS - EVENTS, HAPPENINGS, ETC.**

**Faith Fun Night!**

Wednesday, July 28

Join us at Faith from 6:30-7:30pm for bikes, bubbles and bars! You can bring some wheels (bikes, scooters, etc), blow some bubbles (we will have them here) or enjoy some bars (feel free to bring your favorites to share!)

**Pastor's Book Study: "Love Without Limits"**

Thursdays

Meetings in-person Thursdays from 1-2:30pm in the Fireside Room and/or online from 6:30-8pm (link/call in info on the calendar on our site).

**SAGES Music Man at Chanhassen Dinner Theater**

September 22

Luncheon at 11 a.m. and show at 1 p.m. Optional tour available at 10 a.m. Special pricing at \$65 - includes dinner, show & fee/taxes. Sign up in the church lobby. Payment by July 31 to Christine Roehler. Meet at the dinner theatre by 11 a.m. - car pooling can be arranged.

**Calling All Crafters**

Join us on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays in Steiner Hall from 10-11:30am. Questions? Contact Peggy in the office at 952-442-2101

**School Supply Drive**

We have a Christmas Tree setup outside Steiner Hall where you can drop off donations of school supplies for our friends at Cristo Obrero.

**Celebrating Pastor Dale's Footprint on Faith: Photos & Memories**

If you have a favorite Pastor Dale memory or anecdote, please share those using the link on our site. We are making a Celebration Book.

**Small Groups**

Have a great idea for a small group for the fall? Let us know!

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Inclusive Grace. Contagious Love.

*Welcome*

*Welcome! We are glad you are here. Our vision at Faith is to be a dynamic worshipping community where all are growing in their relationship with Jesus Christ, one another, and those beyond our walls. We strive to welcome all people by practicing inclusive grace and sharing contagious love.*



Summer Worship: Sundays at 9am. Join us at Faith or enjoy our live-stream or videos. We will have communion the first & third Sundays of the month. Connections Cafe will follow worship.



*Thank you for joining us! And thank you to the Prime Time Band for the wonderful music today!*

*Oh Baby!* 

**Faith Baby Shower Honoring Pastor Katie!**

Join us Sunday, July 25th at 11:00AM. We will serve a light brunch plus have games/prizes! All are welcome. (Please RSVP through the link on our site or in the eblast.)

*She is registered at Target.com & Amazon.com*

*"Anyone who welcomes a little child like this on my behalf welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not only me but also my Father who sent me." Mark 9:36-37*



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**Church Office Hours:**

Monday - Thursday 8am-5pm

Fridays 8am-noon

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