

# Uganda Celebration Worship

October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – 9:30am

## GATHERING

*Greetings and Welcome*

*Sharing of Christ's Peace*

*Call to Worship* – “Darling Jesus”

**Darling Je-e-sus, darling Jesus, O my darling Jesus  
You are wonderful Lord.**

**I love you so much, darling Jesus, O my darling Jesus  
You are wonderful Lord.**

**Hey-o-ay-o... Hey-o-ay-hey-o-bom, bom, bom  
Hey-o-ay-o... Hey-o-ay-hey-o-bom, bom, bom**

*Confession and Forgiveness*

*Song of Praise* – “In Your Presence”

The only power that wins, is in your hands,  
victorious God is the one we serve.

In your presence, God we're here, to worship you,  
you're the mighty warrior, and mighty to save.

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*Prayer*

## WORD

*Reading:* Exodus 3:1-14; 4:10-17

*Reader:* Liddy Stark

3Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Mount Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup>There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. <sup>3</sup>Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up." <sup>4</sup>When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>5</sup>Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." <sup>6</sup>He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

<sup>7</sup>Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, <sup>8</sup>and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. <sup>9</sup>The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. <sup>10</sup>Now go, I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." <sup>11</sup>But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" <sup>12</sup>He said, "I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

<sup>13</sup>But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" <sup>14</sup>God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.'"

4But Moses said to the Lord, "O my Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor even now that you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue." <sup>11</sup>Then the Lord said to him, "Who gives speech to mortals? Who makes them mute or deaf, seeing or blind? Is it not I, the Lord? <sup>12</sup>Now go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you are to speak." <sup>13</sup>But he said, "O my Lord, please send

someone else.” <sup>14</sup>Then the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses, and he said, “What of your brother Aaron, the Levite? I know that he can speak well; even now he is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you, his heart will be glad. <sup>15</sup>You shall speak to him and put the words in his mouth, and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth and will teach you what you shall do. <sup>16</sup>He indeed shall speak for you to the people; he shall serve as a mouth for you, and you shall serve as God for him. <sup>17</sup>Take in your hand this staff, with which you shall perform the signs.”

R: The Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

*\*Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:18-20*

<sup>18</sup>And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

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

*Scripture Song – “Go, Make Disciples”*

**Go, make disciples, baptizing them, teaching them.  
Go, make disciples, for I am with you till the end of time.  
Go, be the salt of the earth. Go, be the light for the world.  
Go, be a city on a hill so all can see that you’re serving me. Repeat  
Go, make disciples!**

*Sermon: “I am with you ... now go!”*

*Song of the Day – “Ablaze”*

**1. Cold is the wind that blows in the night.  
The darkness is deepest where there’s no light.  
Who will You send to carry the flame? Who will proclaim your name?  
People are lost and don’t even know it.  
If we know the way, then why don’t we show it?  
Ignite the flame, O Lord fan the spark  
that we may shine in the dark.**

*Chorus: Set us ablaze, O Lord. Set us ablaze to tell Your story.  
Shout aloud the hope of glory so that the lost will find the way.  
Set us ablaze, O Lord, and fill your church with holy fire,  
To share your love our one desire All our days. Set us ablaze.*

**2. For You, Lord, alone are the one who can save.  
Your cross alone, and Your empty grave.  
Hearts to renew, and sins to forgive that all of the world might live.  
Ignite the flame, O Lord, send your Spirit,  
that we proclaim, and that they may hear it  
Send us to show them the way that is true.  
Send us to lead them to You. *Chorus twice***

**I've got a calling. I've got a mission.  
Out of the boat and on with the fishing, Ablaze!  
Hearts that are burning, minds that are learning,  
filled with a yearning to see lives turning. Ablaze!**

*Prayers of Intercession*

*Stewardship Time*

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*\*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.

*\*Words of Institution*

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

*\*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.**

*Communion Invitation: "Come to the Table"*

We come to the table... **We come to the table**  
We come to break bread... **We come to break bread**  
Jesus is calling... **Jesus is calling**  
So come and be fed... **So come and be fed**  
We're feasting on manna... **We're feasting on manna**  
**And we drink from the vine**  
**So come to the table, if you're willing and able**  
Won't you come and dine... **Won't you come and dine**

*Communion Songs*

"Your Name is Our Sole Power"  
*Written by the children of Pillars*

"Goodness of God"  
**I love You, Lord, for Your mercy never fails me.**  
**All my days, I've been held in Your hands.**  
**From the moment that I wake up, until I lay my head,**  
**oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.**

**‘Cause all my life You have been faithful,  
and all my life You have been so, so good.**

**With every breath that I am able,  
oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.**

**I love Your voice, you have led me through the fire.**

**In darkest nights, You are close like no other.**

**I've known You as a Father, I've known You as a Friend,  
and I have lived in the goodness of God.**

**‘Cause all my life You have been faithful,  
and all my life You have been so, so good.**

**With every breath that I am able,  
oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.**

**Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.**

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**With my life laid down. I surrender now, I give You everything,**

**Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. *Repeat***

**And all my life You have been faithful,  
and all my life You have been so, so good.**

**With every breath that I am able,  
Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God.  
Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God.**

## **SENDING**

*Post Communion Blessing*

*“I am Thanking Jesus/Asante Sana Jesu”*

**I am thanking Jesus, I am thanking Jesus,**

**I am thanking Jesus from my heart.**

**I am thanking Jesus, I am thanking Jesus,**

**I am thanking Jesus from my heart.**

**Swahili: Asante sana Yesu, asante sana Yesu, asante sana Yesu moyoni.**

**Asante sana Yesu, asante sana Yesu, asante sana Yesu moyoni.**

## *Prayer and Benediction*

*\*Sending Song – “Your Grace is Enough”*

1. **Great is your faithfulness, O God of Jacob;  
you wrestle with the sinner’s restless heart.  
You lead me by still waters into mercy  
where nothing can keep us apart.**

*Refrain: So remember your people, remember your children,  
remember your promise, O God.*

*For your grace is enough, your grace is enough,  
your grace is enough, your grace is enough for me.*

2. **Great is your love and justice, God of Jacob;  
you use the weak to lead the strong.  
You lead us in the song of heaven’s vict’ry,  
and all your people sing along. Refrain twice**

*\*Dismissal*

**P:** Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

## **Worship Assistants**

Communion Assistant: Barb Davenport

Greeter: Lynette Hamilton

Reader: Liddy Stark

Usher: Pat Glyshaw

Pastor: Adam Dichsen

Music Director: Jean Welch

Pianist: Jean Welch

Guitarist: Marilyn Dichsen

Drummers: John Demien & Louis Dichsen

Financial Assistants: Kelly Hartz & Kelly Street

Chancel Committee: Pat Glyshaw

Coffee Host: Karen Sibert



### Singers:

Maddy Crossin	Kelly Hartz	Adam Krohe	Cole Street
Benen Dichsen	Terri Kimler	Kris Roth	Melissa Street

### Church Council Members:

Malinda Carlson	Marilyn Dichsen	Greg Kimler	Monica Proefrock
Ken Devlin	Kelly Hartz	Patty Nelson	Kay Schnitker
			Kelly Street

## What's Coming Up at Faith?

Sunday, October 5, 9:30am: Uganda Celebration Worship

11:00am: Traditional Worship

Sunday, October 12, 9:30am: Worship

Wednesday, October 15, 10:00am: Discipleship Group in the Faith Library

### Song Credits

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## News Updates

### Lay Ministry Sign-Up Sheets

Sign-Up Sheets are available at the podium in the gathering area. Please take a moment to sign up to be an Usher, Reader, Greeter, Communion Assistant, Coffee Host, Chancel Committee volunteer, and to Donate Altar Plants. **Thank You!** *We are Gifted to Serve!*

### Faith's Little Flock -- (Ages 2–7)

gathers during worship right after the Children's Sermon and returns to the sanctuary in time for Communion.

In October, Faith's Little Flock is excited to welcome three new volunteers to the teaching rotation! Together, we will explore stories about Moses and the Burning Bush, Manna and Quail, and learn about Samuel and David. Through engaging activities, the



children will experience the stories by learning, living, and singing them. We will also provide materials for parents to continue these lessons at home.

Faith's Little Flock warmly welcomes—and deeply appreciates—our adult and older youth volunteers. If you're interested in spending time with the children during part of the Sunday worship service or joining the teacher rotation for Faith's Little Flock, please reach out to Melissa Street or Pam Devlin. Blessings, *Melissa*

### **Fall Fest Trunk-or-Treat, Meal, and Polka Service... A Barrel of Fun!**

Roll out the barrel as we join for some fun, food, and worship on **Saturday, October 25**. It will be a day of worship, fellowship, and outreach for our Faith Family and the entire community. We start at **3:30pm** with some toe-tapping worship with a liturgy set to favorite polka tunes in the sanctuary. Then, bring on the food! Bratwurst, sauerkraut, potato salad, all washed down with mugs of root beer, then with some German chocolate cupcakes to top it off. The fun continues outside for our second annual Trunk-or-Treat with decorated trunks and activities. These events are for the entire community, and there are many ways to participate.

See the **Sign-Up sheet** on the counter by the coffee sales: to prepare potato salad (German or regular, recipes provided) and cupcakes, to help set up, serve, and clean up.

A **Sign-Up** is also available for hosting a trunk, booth, or game for the **Trunk-or-Treat**. Questions? Talk to Monica Proefrock.

This takes the place of our Soup, Salad, and Dessert event this year, so let's come together, invite our neighbors, and have a barrel of fun!

### **Chancel Choir**

The Chancel Choir will sing "Your Grace Still Amazes Me" for Reformation Sunday, October 26. Rehearsals will be after church on October 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. The YouTube link to the song is: <https://youtu.be/8nt6r2-5TZQ?si=U6lWm6hlRICvDdWI>

Let Jean know if you have any questions. Thank you!

### **Reformation Sunday October 26**

Let's roll out the red carpet (or paraments) as we celebrate Reformation Sunday! It will be a special morning with an opportunity (or two) to belt out "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" and a musical offering from our Chancel Choir. Wear red, the color of the Holy Spirit, as we trust that God's reforming work and refining fire continue to be at work in us and throughout Christ's church.

## **All Saints Sunday November 2**

On November 2, we will be celebrating All Saints Sunday, an opportunity to remember all the saints of God, specifically recalling members and loved ones of members of our congregation who have died or were baptized in the last year. If you would like the name of your loved one shared, please submit it to the church office **by Friday, October 31**.

## **Discipleship Group**

Join us for the Discipleship Group meeting at **10:00am on Wednesday, October 15**, in the Faith Library as we meet for Bible study, discussion, and fellowship. We have a lot of fun with lively discussions. Let's grow together in compassion, connection, and purpose.

## **Bible Boot Camp**

We had a great outing to the Martin's home to learn about God's creation IN God's creation. Families sang songs about hippopotamuses, survived an epic nature hike with our own naturalist Paul Scheerer, and enjoyed a delicious cookout with homemade ice cream. Thank you to Galen and Marty for this wonderful day! Bible Boot Camp will not meet during October, but do join us at our Fall Fest on October 25 for food and fun, including a bounce house, games, and trunk-or-treat. **Bible Boot Camp will resume on November 2, 16, and 30, 4:30-6:00pm, with a Christmas party on December 14.**

## **Upcoming Youth Events**

Our Youth are invited to join us on October 25 as we carve jack-o-lanterns and learn about letting our light shine. We will meet at 6:30pm after the trunk-or-treat. Then, on All Saints Sunday, November 2, we will have a special "Soup with the Saints" meal at 6:00pm. Youth will be inviting "saints" who have been role models of faith to join in conversations about faith and following God.

## **Doorbell Dinners October 27-31**

Help us deliver meals in the community through our community-wide Doorbell Dinners ministry. We are in need of drivers & deliverers to cover the needs of five routes — time commitment is 11:15-12:30 each day. For more information and to sign up, visit the signup counter by the Fair Trade coffee sales. Questions? Talk to Sharon Zuiderveld.

## **Jacksonville Area Community Food Center**

There is always a need for food donations at the Food Center. Some ideas: canned pasta and meat (Chef Boyardee), canned chicken or tuna, cereal, canned soups, peanut butter and jelly, mac and cheese, Ramen noodles, instant oatmeal, juice, canned fruit, Gatorade, and

Jello or pudding cups. Please consider donating to the Food Center – you can put your donations in the cloth bins in the Mission and Ministry Center (coat closet).

### **New Food Center Representative Needed**

After many years of service, Lillian Korous is stepping down as Faith's liaison to the Jacksonville Food Center. We are looking for a volunteer (or two) to take her place.

### **New Directions Meal Train**

The New Directions homeless shelter is looking for volunteers to provide meals for their residents. There are typically 5-12 residents each night, but they ask that you call ahead to confirm the headcount for the day. Meals can be dropped off between 5:30-6:00pm, and you are welcome to stay and eat. For more information, visit "New Directions Jacksonville, IL" on Facebook.