

Pentecost 4 2020 Worship Devotional

*"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me
welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet
in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward.
and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person
will receive the reward of the righteous.
and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones
in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."
Matthew 10:40-42*

A cup of cold water...a sign and symbol of hospitality...of welcome!

Our Gospel lesson for this day highlights this place of welcome...this call for the simple invitation...the openness to give of ourselves to others...in a warm embrace of welcome...with the desire to share the very best of who and what we are...and in this place...it is our relationship with Christ that drives us...and draws us. It is our desire to see more and more people to come into a relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Deep in your history...you set up and detailed a mission and vision of welcome and hospitality for your ministry. You have heard it often...and I am compelled to capture those thoughts again.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to introduce people to new life in Jesus Christ that grows into enthusiastic Christian living.

Vision Statement

Our vision is that God is leading us, through constant innovation, experimentation, and trust, toward being a model of faithful church development and growth, and a place where people will meet God and be healed and saved by Him.

Purpose Statement

We believe God has called the Church by the Holy Spirit through the Word and sacraments to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to the world in word and deed.

We believe God's purpose for Faith Lutheran Church in San Dimas is to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to the world in word and deed, make new disciples, and to be a caring Christian community.

We believe God has called us to exceptional service and growth.
We will realize this purpose by God's grace.

