



FIRST
LUTHERAN
CHURCH
COLORADO SPRINGS

worship

10.19.25

Welcome to First Lutheran Church!

Today, as since 1892, we welcome members and guests to glorify God and exalt his name.

NEW HERE? HAVE A QUESTION?

Visit the Welcome Center in the Gathering Place, just north of the Sanctuary. First-time visitors receive a special gift.

HOLY COMMUNION

We celebrate Holy Communion at every worship service; all who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome at his table. To receive a blessing instead, simply cross your arms over your chest. Our children celebrate First Communion in Grade 3. Earlier participation in communion is at the discretion of parents or guardians.

NEED HEARING ASSISTANCE?

Assistive Listening Devices are available and may be used with headphones or with a neck loop for T-Coil-equipped hearing aids. Please leave the devices in the Sanctuary after the service.

CHILD CARE

All ages are welcome in worship; our professionally-staffed child care center is, however, an option for young children during services. The center is near the elevator on the main level.

A PLACE FOR LIFELONG LEARNING

Our **Sunday School** program meets at 9:30 a.m. downstairs in Fellowship Hall. Children may be dropped off as early as 9:15 a.m. Adults are invited to join our quarterly Adult Education classes.

JOIN US FOR COFFEE

Following the worship service, please join us in the Gathering Place for coffee, treats, and fellowship.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Our newest service takes place at 10:15 a.m. in the Worship Center on the second level – a distinctively Lutheran approach to contemporary worship. During the sermon, **First Kids** is offered in the Fireside Room for children aged Preschool through Grade 2.

ONLINE WORSHIP: YOUTUBE

Never miss a service on our YouTube channel! Search for First Lutheran Colorado Springs and click SUBSCRIBE to be notified when we upload or stream new videos.

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The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025

8, 9:30, AND 11 A.M.

PRELUDE

WORD OF WELCOME

Pastor The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Everyone **And also with you.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

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.
Amen.

A moment for silent confession.

Most merciful God, we confess that 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. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

 No. 522 *As We Gather at Your Table*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

You may be seated.

 • Hymn found in the red hymnal

 • Hymn found in the bulletin

READING: 2 TIMOTHY 3:14 – 4:5
In the black pew Bible · Page 968

After the reading:

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 121

Please join in reading the psalm responsively.

I lift up my eyes to the mountains –
where does my help come from?

**My help comes from the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.**

He will not let your foot slip –
he who watches over you
will not slumber;

**indeed, he who watches over Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**

The Lord watches over you –
the Lord is your shade
at your right hand;

**the sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

The Lord will keep you from all harm –
he will watch over your life;

**the Lord will watch over
your coming and going
both now and forevermore.**

Please stand for the gospel.

✓ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 18:1 – 8
In the black pew Bible · Page 848

Before the reading:

The holy gospel according to Luke,
the eighteenth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord!

After the reading:

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ!

You may be seated.

SERMON: PASTOR MICHAELA ESKEW
The final sermon in our series on Timothy.



Please stand for the hymn.

HYMN OF THE DAY

📖 No. 676 Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak

THE APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church,
let us confess our faith.

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.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

You may be seated as the ushers come forward
to receive our tithes and offerings.

OFFERING MUSIC

Simply Trusting by Earlene Rentz

Simply trusting ev'ry day,
trusting through a stormy way,
even when my faith is small,
trusting Jesus, that is all.

Trusting as the moments fly,
trusting as the days go by,
trusting him whate'er befall,
trusting Jesus, that is all.

Brightly does his Spirit shine
into this poor heart of mine.
While he leads, I cannot fall,
trusting Jesus, that is all.

Singing if my way is clear,
praying if the path be drear,
in his name, I pray, I call,
trusting Jesus, that is all.

We extend a special welcome to all who are new
to First Lutheran today! Please text **GUEST** to **719.988.3524**
to let us know about yourself.

If you already support First Lutheran, thank you! Gifts of any
size make a difference to the ministries and outreach of our
congregation. Scan the QR code, text **GIVE** to **719.988.3524**,
or place your offering in the plate as it is passed.



Trusting as the moments fly,
trusting as the days go by,
trusting him, trusting him,
trusting, simply trusting,
trusting Jesus, that is all.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEACE

The peace of the Lord
be with you always.

And also with you.

Please remain standing for the offertory.

▼ OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a
portion of what you have given to us.
Teach us to set our hope not on the
uncertainty of riches, but on you, who
richly provides for us. Multiply what
we have gathered to bless all who are

suffering and in need, through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

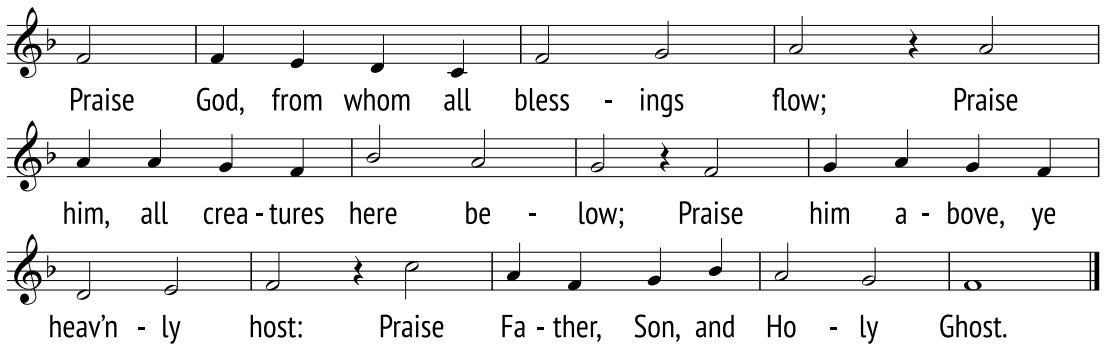
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all
places give thanks and praise to you,
almighty and merciful God, through
our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day
overcame death and the grave, and by his
glorious resurrection opened to us the
way of everlasting life. And so, with all
the choirs of angels, with the church on
earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise
your name and join their unending
hymn ...



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise
him, all crea - tures here be - low; Praise him a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of pow - er and might, heav'n and earth are
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

▲ SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.**

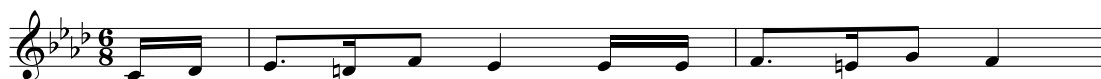
BREAD AND WINE ARE SHARED

Come to the table for all is now ready.

Thanks be to God!

AT COMMUNION

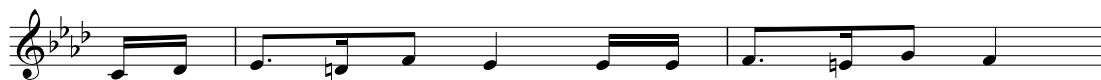
- + *All who believe in Jesus as Lord
and Savior are welcome at his table.*
- + *Please follow the lead of the ushers
in going forward via the center aisle.*
- + *Kneel as you are able, extend your hands,
and allow the bread to be placed in your hand.
Take either the wine or white grape juice from
the center of the tray.*
- + *Place your empty glass in the tray
and return via the side aisle.*
- + *Gluten-free wafers are available.*
- + *If you are unable to come forward,
please alert an usher so we may serve
you at your seat.*



1. On a hill far a - way stood an old rug - ged cross,
2. O that old rug - ged cross, so de - spised by the world,
3. In that old rug - ged cross, stained with blood so di - vine,
4. To the old rug - ged cross I will ev - er be true,



the em - blem of suf - f'ring and shame; _____
has a won - drous at - trac - tion for me; _____
a won - drous beau - ty I see, _____
its shame and re - proach glad - ly bear; _____



and I love that old cross where the dear - est and best
for the dear Lamb of God left his glo - ry a - bove
for 'twas on that old cross Je - sus suf - fered and died,
then he'll call me some day to my home far a - way,



for a world of lost sin - ners was slain. _____
to bear it to dark Cal - va - ry. _____
to par - don and sanc - ti - fy me. _____
where his glo - ry for - ev - er I'll share. _____



So I'll cher - ish the old rug - ged cross, _____ till my



tro - phies at last I lay down; _____ I will cling to the old rug - ged



cross, _____ and ex - change it some day for a crown. _____

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

◀ HYMN 📖 *The Old Rugged Cross*

✔ HYMN 📖 *Come with Us, O Blessed Jesus*

Please stand for the blessing.

COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may

go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

📖 No. 537 *On Our Way Rejoicing*

ANNUAL MEETING

SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE



1. Come with us, O bless - ed Je - sus, with us ev - er - more_ to be.
2. Thou art God from ev - er - last - ing, God of God and Light_ of Light;



And, in leav - ing now thine al - tar, let us nev - er - more_ leave thee!
Thou art God, thy glo - ry veil - ing, that our eyes may bear_ the sight.



Let thy bright ce - les - tial cho - rus nev - er cease the heav'n - ly strain;
Now be - yond these walls go with us, in our dai - ly life to share,



but in us, thy lov - ing child - ren, come with peace, good will_ to reign.
that in us thy ra - diant full - ness may shine bright - ly ev - 'ry - where.

Altar Flowers ...

... have been given to the glory of God and:

- ♥ In loving memory of Larry Arnold, by his family
- ♥ In loving memory of Shari Olson, by Gary Olson
- ♥ In loving memory of my blessed mother Norma Andrews,
by Jerry and Darlene Edwards

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OLDER WISER LUTHERANS (OWLS)

HOTEL ST. CLOUD TOUR | CAÑON CITY
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

Join the OWLS for a leaf-peeping road trip and the opportunity to tour the newly renovated 1883 Hotel St. Cloud in Cañon City. We'll leave the church at 9:15 a.m.; the free tour begins at 10:30. This hotel is one of the 10 oldest hotels in Colorado and opened in Silver Cliff in 1883. After the silver mining went bust, the hotel was disassembled brick-by-brick and moved, in 1886, to Cañon City via the Rio Grande Railroad and reassembled on Main Street. Visit the website showing all the hotel history at hotelstcloud.com. We will tour the hotel, including pulling two books from the bookshelf to enter the Prohibition-era speakeasy. We'll enjoy fellowship and lunch in the 1887 Historic Eatery (where we'll each cover our own lunch). Please register at bit.ly/48GaPRM or by calling the church office.

Get Involved!

OCTOBER INGATHERING OF FOOD

BENEFITS CARE AND SHARE

Please bring non-perishable and non-expired food to the Gathering Place vestibule and place them by the mural of Jesus. Especially needed are canned meats and peanut butter.

FLC TECH BUDDIES

A NEW MINISTRY TO SUPPORT SENIORS

We'd like to build a team to work with older or homebound members in setting up technology (cell phones, tablets, smart TVs, and more). This is a great opportunity for younger members to build relationships with our older, wiser members! For more information or to volunteer, email Cheryl Mahon at cheryl@flccs.net.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

FOR THE 11 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

This service is slightly smaller in attendance than the earlier traditional services, so it's more difficult to find volunteers to serve as greeters, ushers, and coffee hour hosts. If this is your service, please consider sharing your time just once in 2025 to see how you like it. Each of these ministries is a great way to meet other members of First Lutheran! For more information, contact Cheryl Mahon at cheryl@flccs.net.

BLANKETS FOR ANGEL TREE

If you'd like to tie a fleece blanket for children of the incarcerated, contact Ken Boehm at 719.352.2377 or by email at kenrboehm@gmail.com for materials. Blankets may be tied at home and returned to the church in time for the holidays.

First Lutheran Staff

CLERGY

The Rev. Travis Norton, Senior Pastor
The Rev. Carrie Baylis, Associate Pastor
The Rev. Michaela Eskew, Associate Pastor

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Eric Wicks, Minister of Worship and Music
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Robert Kelley, Maintenance
David Lovelace and Cynder Ros, Sextons

Today at First Lutheran

Annual Meeting	Following each service
Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary	8 a.m.
Sunday Youth Group (Grades 6 – 9), Youth Center.....	9:15 a.m.
Sunday School (Preschool – Grade 5), Fellowship Hall	9:30 a.m.
Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary	9:30 a.m.
Contemporary Worship Service, Worship Center.....	10:15 a.m.
Including First Kids (Preschool – Grade 2) in the Fireside Room	
Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary	11 a.m.
Lunch and Learn: <i>In the Footsteps of Paul</i> , Peel House Parlor	Noon

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIGHT

WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORSHIP CENTER
DINNER 5:15 P.M. | SERVICE 6:30 P.M.

GENERATION TO REVELATION

FIRST LUTHERAN’S NEW PODCAST
FIND ON YOUTUBE OR OUR WEBSITE

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS
LUTHER HALL | 10 – 11 A.M.

Led by the preaching pastor for the week – come explore the Scriptures in an engaging small group setting.

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