

FIRST
LUTHERAN
CHURCH
COLORADO SPRINGS



worship

10.26.25

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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Reformation Sunday

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 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.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

 No. 504 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out the Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

 • Hymn found in the red hymnal

 • Hymn found in the bulletin

You may be seated.

READING: ROMANS 3:19 – 28

In the black pew Bible · Page 912

After the reading:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46

Please join in reading the psalm responsively.

God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.

**Therefore we will not fear,
though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into
the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake
with their surging.**

There is a river whose streams
make glad the city of God,
the holy place where
the Most High dwells.

**God is within her, she will not fall;
God will help her at break of day.**

Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;
he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

**The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

Come and see the works of the Lord,
the desolations he has
brought on the earth.

**He makes wars cease
to the ends of the earth;
he breaks the bow
and shatters the spear,
he burns the shields with fire.**

“Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth.”

**The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

Please stand for the gospel.

▼ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL READING: JOHN 8:31 – 36
In the black pew Bible · Page 867

Before the reading:

The holy gospel according to John,
the eighth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord!

After the reading:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Please repeat the acclamation.

You may be seated.

SERMON: PASTOR TRAVIS NORTON

Please stand for the hymn.

HYMN OF THE DAY ➤

📖 *By Grace I'm Saved*

The hymn may be found on the next page.

THE NICENE CREED

With the whole church,
let us confess our faith.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

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



1. By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound - less;
2. By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior,
3. By grace! On this I'll rest when dy - ing;



my soul, be - lieve and doubt it not.
came down to earth to bear our sin.
in Je - sus' prom - ise I re - joice.



Why wa - ver at this word of prom - ise?
Was it be - cause of your own mer - it
For tho' I know my heart's con - di - tion,



Has Scip - ture ev - er false - hood taught?
that Je - sus died your soul to win?
I al - so know my Sav - ior's voice.



So then this word must true re - main:
No, it was grace, and grace a - lone,
My heart is glad; all grief has flown



by grace you, too, shall heav'n ob - tain.
that brought him from his heav'n - ly throne.
since I am saved by grace a - lone.

OFFERING MUSIC

O Love, How Deep by Kevin Hildebrand

O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
beyond all thought and fantasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake!

He sent no angel to our race,
of higher or of lower place,
but wore the robe of human frame,
and to this world himself he came.

For us baptized, for us he bore
his holy fast and hungered sore;
for us temptation sharp he knew;
for us the tempter overthrew.

For us he prayed; for us he taught;
for us his daily works he wrought,
by words and signs and actions thus
still seeking not himself but us.

For us by wickedness betrayed,
for us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death;
for us he gave his dying breath.

For us he rose from death again;
for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent his Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

All glory to our Lord and God
for love so deep, so high, so broad;
the Trinity whom we adore
forever and forevermore!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION:

RAINBOW TRAIL LUTHERAN CAMP

9:30 A.M. PRESENTATION OF

BIBLES TO FOURTH GRADERS

PEACE

The peace of the Lord
be with you always.

And also with you.

Please remain standing for the offertory.

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.



▼ 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

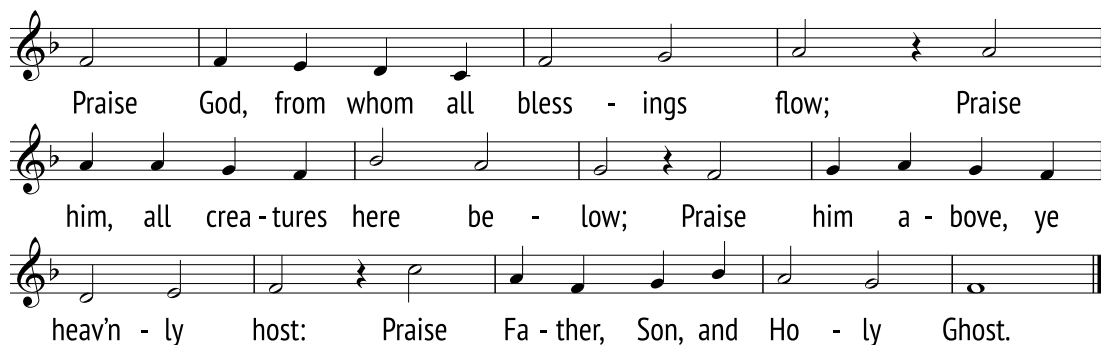
our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn ...

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.



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise
him, all creatures 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.

BREAD AND WINE ARE SHARED
 Come to the table for all is now ready.
Thanks be to God!

✝ If you are unable to come forward,
 please alert an usher so we may serve
 you at your seat.

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.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

- 📖 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound ➤
- 📖 No. 838 Beautiful Savior

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.

1. A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound,
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
 3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me;

that saved a wretch like me!
 and grace my fears re - lieved;
 his Word my hope se - cures;

I once was lost, but now am found;
 how pre - cious did that grace ap - pear
 he will my shield and por - tion be

was blind, but now I see.
 the hour I first be - lieved!
 as long as life en - dures.

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN ➤

📖 *The Church's One Foundation*

SENDING

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

POSTLUDE



1. The chur - ch's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2. E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3. Thru toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
4. Yet she on earth hath u - nion with God, the Three - in - One,



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en dued.
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

MUSICIAN

Trumpet: Ken Johnson

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Today at First Lutheran

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.
<i>Including First Kids (Preschool – Grade 2) in the Fireside Room</i>	
Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary	11 a.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIGHT

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

GENERATION TO REVELATION

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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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