

# Fix Your Focus

Seek first the Kingdom of God —  
in every part of your life.



## WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

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

## HOLY COMMUNION

We celebrate Holy Communion at every worship service; all who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome. Please follow the lead of the ushers in going forward. In addition to bread and wine, white grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available.

## 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.

## CHILD CARE

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

## A PLACE FOR LIFELONG LEARNING

Our Summer Sunday School is in session! Children attend the beginning of the 9:30 a.m. service with their parents, come forward for a special children's message, then leave the sanctuary for a lesson, returning to worship in time for communion. Adults are invited to join our Adult Seminar in the Peel House at 9:15 a.m.

## JOIN US FOR COFFEE

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

## CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us Sundays at 10:15 a.m. for our newest service in the Worship Center on the second level – a distinctively Lutheran approach to contemporary worship. During the sermon, Children's Church is offered in the Fireside Room for our younger worshippers.

## ONLINE WORSHIP: YOUTUBE

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# The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 20, 2025 ■ 8, 9:30, and 11 a.m.

Congregational responses are printed in **bold type**.

## PRELUDE

## WORD OF WELCOME

## OPENING DIALOGUE

Come, let us worship Jesus!

**He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.**

By him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities – all things were created through him and for him.

**He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.**

He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.

**In him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.**

Through him God reconciled to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

**Thanks be to God!**

## CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

**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..... *How Brightly Shines the Morning Star*



1. How bright - ly shines the Morn - ing Star! What ray di -  
 2. My com - fort here, my joy a - bove, the Son of  
 3. Aid me, my God, to sing your praise, your age - less

vine streams from a - far! God's glo - ry there is shin - ing.  
 Man, the God of love, en - throned in high - est heav - en.  
 love, your match - less grace, in Christ, our Lord, ap - pear - ing.

Bright beam of God, which scat - ters night, and guides the  
 With my whole heart your praise I sing; to you, our  
 When such a gift God gave for you, with such a

wand - 'ring soul a - right, which af - ter truth is pin - ing!  
 Proph - et, Priest, and King, be end - less hon - ors giv - en.  
 Sav - ior, tried and true, why still my soul be fear - ing?

Je - sus, God's Word, truth re - veal - ing, sor - row heal - ing,  
 Sav - ior, to you, trust - ing, cling - ing, come I bring - ing  
 Choose him, know him, great - est, dear - est, best and near - est,

still our sigh - ing, dry our tears and end our dy - ing.  
 soul and spi - rit, you, my por - tion, to in - her - it.  
 to be - friend you 'gainst all foes who may of - fend you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

9:30 A.M. ■ CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING ■ COLOSSIANS 1:21 – 28

*The reading may be found on Page 955 in the black pew Bibles.*

*After the reading:*

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

PSALM 119:57 – 64

*Please join in reading our psalm responsively.*

The Lord is my portion;

I promise to keep your words.

I entreat your favor with all my heart;

be gracious to me according to your promise.

**When I think on your ways,**

**I turn my feet to your testimonies;**

**I hasten and do not delay**

**to keep your commandments.**

Though the cords of the wicked ensnare me,

I do not forget your law.

At midnight I rise to praise you,

because of your righteous rules.

**I am a companion of all who fear you,**

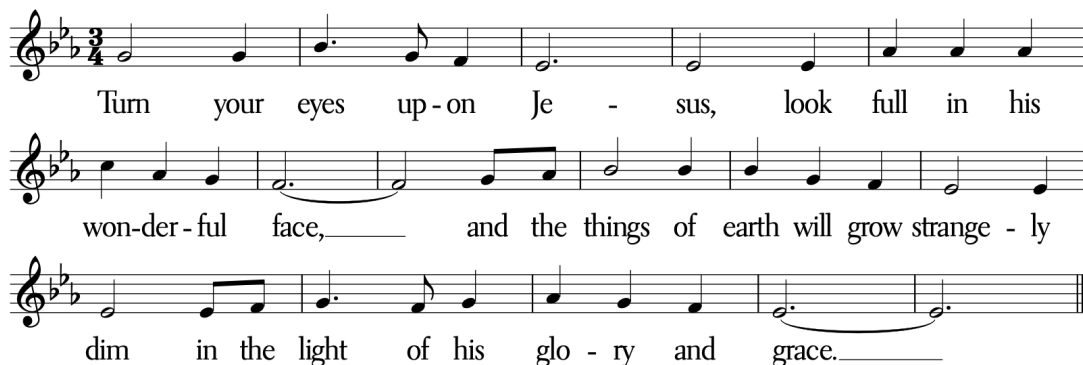
**of those who keep your precepts.**

**The earth, O Lord, is full of your steadfast love;**

**teach me your statutes!**

*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION.....*Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*



GOSPEL READING ■ LUKE 10:38 – 42

*The reading may be found on Page 840 in the black pew Bibles.*

*Before the reading:*

The holy gospel according to Luke, the tenth chapter.

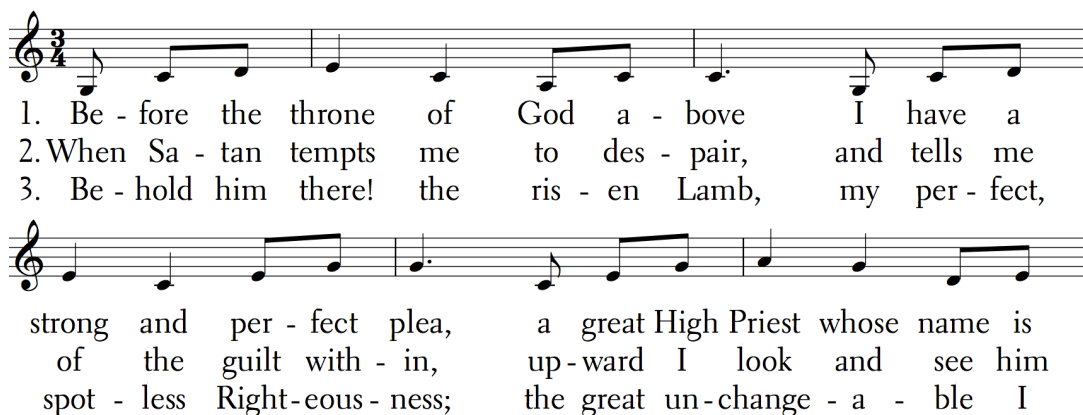
**Glory to you, O Lord**

*After the reading:*

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

SERMON ..... Pastor Travis Norton

HYMN OF THE DAY ..... *Before the Throne of God Above*





Love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is  
there, who made an end to all my sin. Be - cause the  
AM, the King of glo - ry and of grace! One with him -



gra - ven on his hands, my name is writ - ten on his  
sin - less Sav - ior died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed  
self I can - not die; my soul is pur - chased by his



heart; I know that while in heav'n he stands, no tongue can  
free; for God the Just is sat - is - fied to look on  
blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my



bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.  
him and par - don me, to look on him and par - don me.  
Sav - ior and my God, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God.

After Verse 3:



One with him - self I can - not die; my soul is



pur - chased by his blood; my life is hid with Christ on



high, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my



God, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

OFFERING MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY ..... Doxology

Musical notation for the Doxology, consisting of three staves with lyrics underneath.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye

heav'n - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.



## GREAT THANKSGIVING

Let us pray. God of all goodness and grace, receive the gifts we offer; and grant that our whole life may give you glory and praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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....

... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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

*The Sanctus and Benedictus continues on the next page.*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,  
 God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your  
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## 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.**

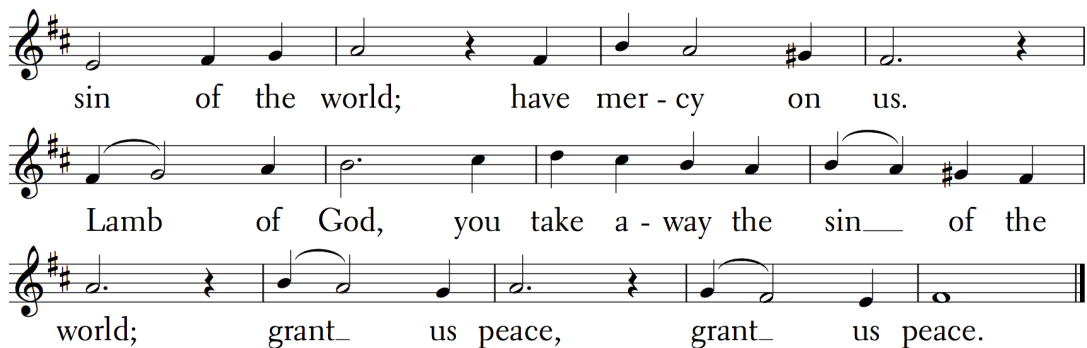
### BREAD AND WINE ARE SHARED

Come to the table for all is now ready.

**Thanks be to God!**

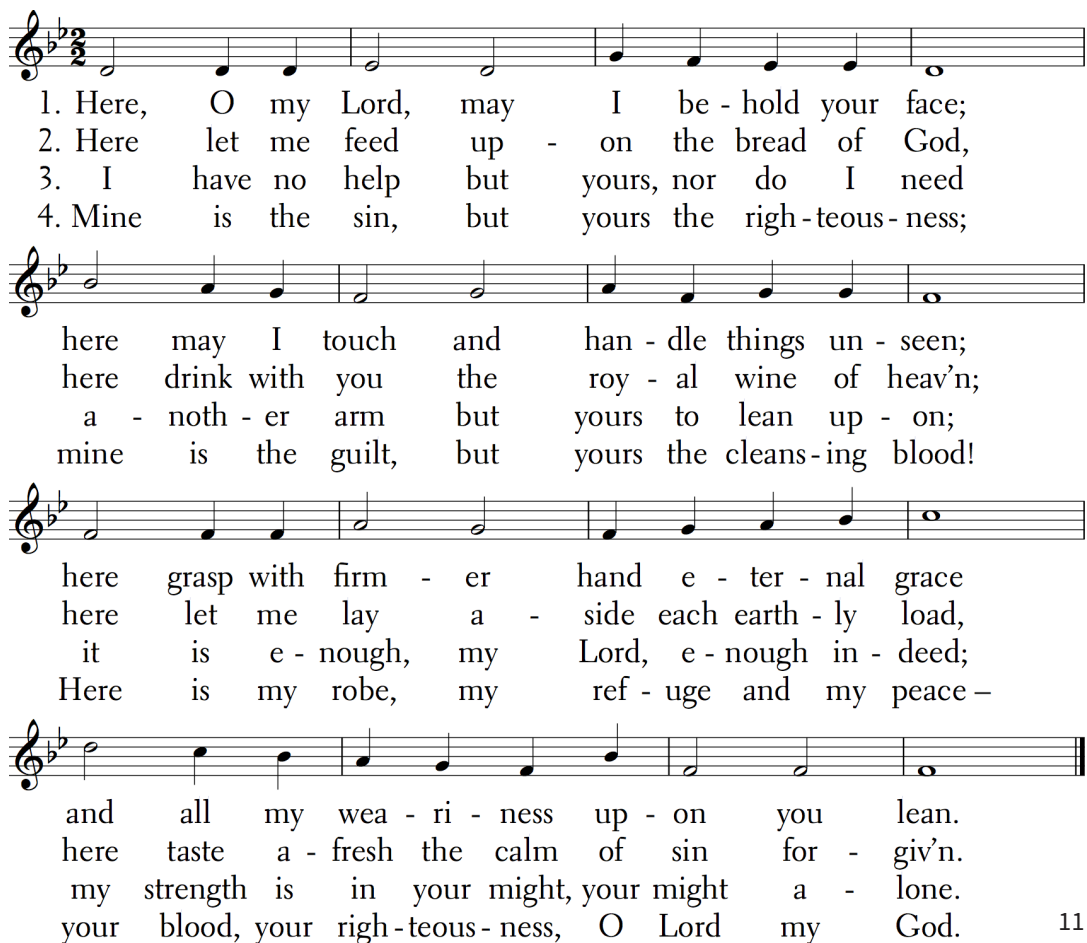
### HYMN .....Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
 have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

HYMN ..... *Here, O My Lord, May I Behold Your Face*



1. Here, O my Lord, may I be - hold your face;  
2. Here let me feed up - on the bread of God,  
3. I have no help but yours, nor do I need  
4. Mine is the sin, but yours the righ - teous - ness;  
here may I touch and han - dle things un - seen;  
here drink with you the roy - al wine of heav'n;  
a - noth - er arm but yours to lean up - on;  
mine is the guilt, but yours the cleans - ing blood!  
here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace  
here let me lay a - side each earth - ly load,  
it is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;  
Here is my robe, my ref - uge and my peace -  
and all my wea - ri - ness up - on you lean.  
here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - giv'n.  
my strength is in your might, your might a - lone.  
your blood, your righ - teous - ness, O Lord my God.

## COMMUNION BLESSING AND POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**We give you thanks, Almighty God, for you have blessed us with this, your gift. In your boundless mercy strengthen our faith in you, and give us love toward our neighbors; through your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN .....No. 611 *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

## SENDING

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

## POSTLUDE

# TODAY AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary ..... 8 a.m.

No Adult Seminar ..... All July

Summer Sunday School (children begin in the Sanctuary) ..... 9:30 a.m.

Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary ..... 9:30 a.m.

Contemporary Worship Service, Worship Center..... 10:15 a.m.

*Including Children's Church in the Fireside Room*

Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary ..... 11 a.m.

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