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-Coilequipped 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 worshipers.

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 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 27, 2025 • 8, 9:30, and 11 a.m.

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

PRELUDE

WORD OF WELCOME

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

9:30 A.M. • CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING • COLOSSIANS 2:6 - 15

The reading may be found on Page 956 in the black pew Bibles.

After the reading:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



PSALM 138

Please join in reading our psalm responsively.

I will praise you, O Lord, with all my heart; before the "gods" I will sing your praise.

I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

When I called, you answered me; you made me bold and stouthearted.

May all the kings of the earth praise you, O Lord, when they hear the words of your mouth.

May they sing of the ways of the Lord, for the glory of the Lord is great.

Though the Lord is on high, he looks upon the lowly, but the proud he knows from afar.

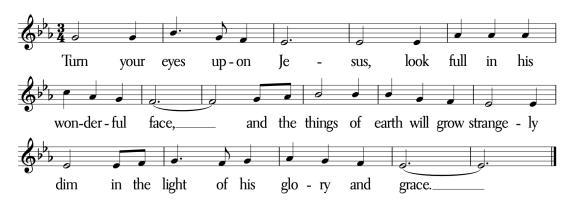
Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life;

you stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes, with your right hand you save me.

The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your love, O Lord, endures forever – do not abandon the works of your hands.

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

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



GOSPEL READING • LUKE 11:1 - 13

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

Before the reading:

The holy gospel according to Luke, the eleventh chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

After the reading:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

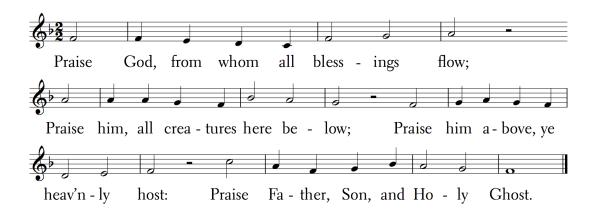


THE APOSTLES' CREED

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	O Love
O Love that will not let me go,	
O Love, I rest my weary soul in thee;	
I give thee back the life I owe,	
that in thy ocean depths its flow	
may richer, fuller be.	
O Joy that seeks me through the pain,	
O Joy, I cannot close my heart to thee;	
I trace the rainbow through the rain,	
and feel the promise is not vain	
that morn shall tearless be.	
O Love that will not let me go,	
O Love, I rest my weary soul in thee;	
I give thee back the life I owe,	
and in thy ocean depths its flow	
shall richer, fuller be	
that morn shall tearless be.	
O Love that will not let me go	
O Love that will not let me go.	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	
PEACE	
The peace of the Lord be with you always.	
And also with you.	
OFFERTORY	Doxology



OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all.

All things come from you, O Lord,

And of your own have we given you.

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....

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

The Sanctus and Benedictus may be found on the next page.



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

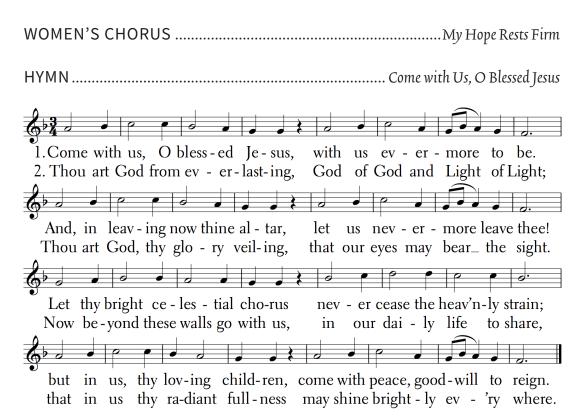
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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!



COMMUNION BLESSING AND POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

WOMEN'S CHORUS

Lannette Abbey, Jill Gjertson Brown, Gini Dugan, Corinne Gibson, Erna Haring, Vicki Heinecke, Ruth Hjelmstad, Linda Loflin, Gwyn Miller, Carol Schlater, Danielle Sena, Erin Tate, Becky Wesley, Breanna Whiting, Dianne Wilkerson, and Breanna Ziemer. Elisa Wicks, violin.

ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC: All Creatures of Our God and King – Words (based on Francis of Assisi) by William H. Draper. Music (LAAST UNS ERFREUEN) from Geistliche Kirchengesänge, 1623; harmonized by Ralph Vaughan Williams. © Oxford University Press. All rights reserved. OneLicense.net No. A-705840. • Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus –Words and music by Helen H. Lemmel. © 1922, 1950 Singspiration Music. All rights reserved. CCLI No. 11389142. • Sweet the Moments, Rich in Blessing – Words (based on James Allen) by William W. Shirley. Music (HOLY MANNA) from W. Moore's Columbian Harmony, 1825; arranged in Evangelical Lutheran Worship. © 2003 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. OneLicense.net No. A-705840. • O Love – Words by George Matheson. Music by Elaine Hagenberg. © 2016, 2018 Beckenhorst Press, Inc. All rights reserved. CCLI No. 11389142. • Doxology – Words by Thomas Ken, 1709. Music (OLD HUNDREDTH) by Louis Bourgeois, 1551. Public domain. • Sanctus and Benedictus – Traditional words. Music by Ray Makeever. © 1983 Ray Makeever; administered by Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. OneLicense.net No. A-705840 • Come with Us, O Blessed Jesus – Words by John Henry Hopkins, Jr. Music (WERDE MUNTER) by Johann Schop; arranged by Johann Sebastian Bach. Public domain. • Wonderful, Merciful Savior – Words and music by Dawn Rodgers and Eric Wyse. © 1989 Word Music/Dayspring Music. All rights reserved. CCLI No. 11389142.



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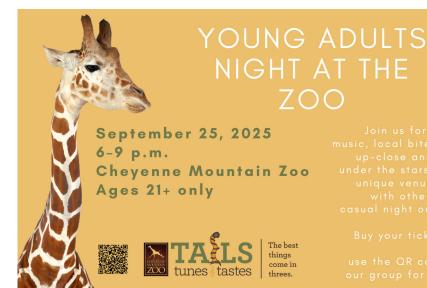
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Buy your ticket through the zoo, then use the QR code to connect with our group for meetup details and carpool options.

TODAY AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary
No Adult SeminarAll July
Summer Sunday School (children begin in the Sanctuary)
Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary9:30 a.m.
Contemporary Worship Service, Worship Center
Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary



Mondays at 6 p.m. at the FLC Firepit (or Peel House Front Porch if it rains)

Fun Fellowship and Discussions Based from Sunday's Sermons Bring a Beverage of Choice and Snack!

INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES



In-Gathering of Food/Hygiene Items for One Nation WALKING TOGETHER BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2025

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