

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 31, 2025 • 8, 9:30, and 11 a.m.

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.

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The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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

PRELUDE

WORD OF WELCOME

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

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

SCRIPTURE READING • HEBREWS 13:1 – 8, 15, 16

The reading may be found on Page 981 in the black pew Bibles.

After the reading:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 112

Please join in reading our psalm responsively.

Praise the Lord!

Blessed are those who fear the Lord, who find great delight in his commands.

Their children will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever.

Even in darkness light dawns for the upright, for those who are gracious and compassionate and righteous.

Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely, who conduct their affairs with justice.

Surely the righteous will never be shaken; they will be remembered forever.

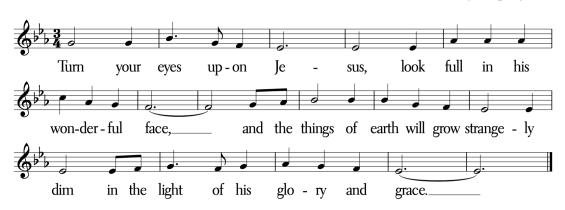
They will have no fear of bad news; their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the Lord.

Their hearts are secure, they will have no fear; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor, their righteousness endures forever; their horn will be lifted high in honor.

The wicked will see and be vexed, they will gnash their teeth and waste away; the longings of the wicked will come to nothing. Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

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



GOSPEL READING • LUKE 14:1, 7 - 14

The reading may be found on Page 844 in the black pew Bibles.

Before the reading:

The holy gospel according to Luke, the fourteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

After the reading:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMONPastor Michaela Eskew

HYMN OF THE DAYLord, Whose Love in Humble Service The music to the hymn may be found on the next page.



CONFESSION OF FAITH: 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

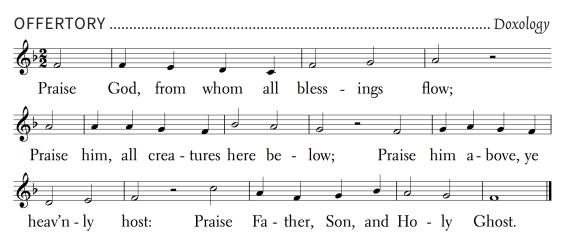
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MOMENT FOR MISSION: COSILoveYou

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEACE

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



OFFERTORY PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

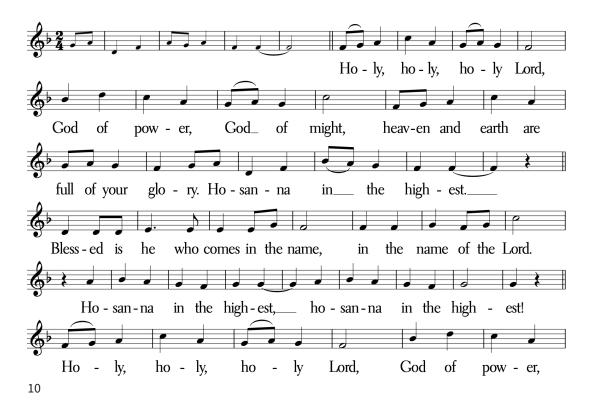
We lift them to the Lord.

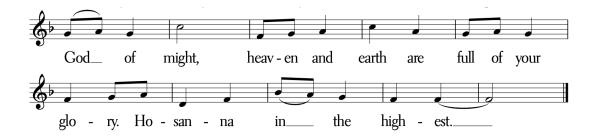
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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:





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!

SOLO		Build Us up,	, Lord
HYMN	No.	464 Bread of Life, Our Host and	Meal

COMMUNION BLESSING AND POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

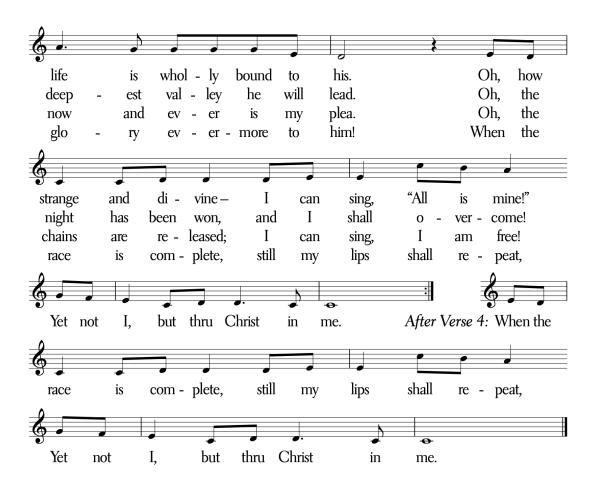
Please join in praying responsively.

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 HYMNYet Not I, but Through Christ in Me





SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Staff of

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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TODAY AT FIRST LUTHERAN

No Sunday School or Children's Church today ... children are invited to attend church with their families

Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary		
Adult Seminar, in the Peel House		
Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary9:30 a.m.		
Contemporary Worship Service, Worship Center10:15		
Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary		





Join us for Rally Day as we kick off another year of Sunday School.

Children will have breakfast with their Sunday school classes during the 9:30 a.m. service and with their Children's Church leaders at the 10:15 a.m. service.

Then we will have an extra fun coffee hour with bounce houses and slides on the front lawn until noon!





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