

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025 ■ 8, 9:30, AND 11 A.M.

Timothy

I AM GIVING YOU THESE INSTRUCTIONS, TIMOTHY, MY CHILD....

TIMOTHY 1:18

FIRST
LUTHERAN
CHURCH
COLORADO SPRINGS

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 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 in-person 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, **First Kids** (PreK – 2) is offered in the Fireside Room for our younger worshippers.

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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 28, 2025 ▪ 8, 9:30, and 11 a.m.

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.

OPENING HYMN..... No. 834 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SCRIPTURE READING ▪ 1 TIMOTHY 6:6 – 19

The reading may be found on Page 965 in the black pew Bibles.

After the reading:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 146

Please join in reading our psalm responsively.

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, my soul.

I will praise the Lord all my life;

I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

**Do not put your trust in princes,
in human beings, who cannot save.**

When their spirit departs, they return to the ground;
on that very day their plans come to nothing.

Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the Lord their God.

**He is the Maker of heaven and earth,
the sea, and everything in them –
he remains faithful forever.**

He upholds the cause of the oppressed
and gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets prisoners free,

the Lord gives sight to the blind,

**the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down,
the Lord loves the righteous.**

The Lord watches over the foreigner

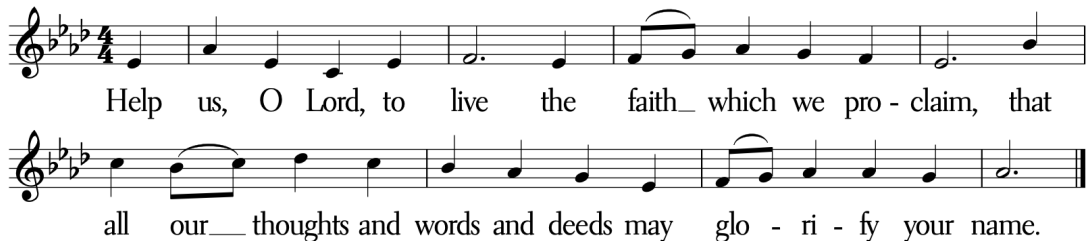
and sustains the fatherless and the widow,

but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

**The Lord reigns forever,
your God, O Zion, for all generations.
Praise the Lord!**

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION.....*Help Us, O Lord*



GOSPEL READING ■ LUKE 16:19 – 31

The reading may be found on Page 847 in the black pew Bibles.

Before the reading:

The holy gospel according to Luke,
the sixteenth 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 No. 679 *For the Fruit of All Creation*

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..... *To God Be Joyful*

To God be joyful; all hearts now be joyful!

Alleluia, alleluia!

To God be joyful; all hearts now be joyful!

Know the Lord, know that he is God.

Know the Lord, know that he is God;

he hath made us, and we are his.

We are his flock, he the Shepherd.

O enter forth with thanksgiving; come with singing.

To God be joyful; all hearts now be joyful!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Indeed, how good is the Lord; alleluia.

Know the Lord, know that he is God.

Know the Lord, know that he is God.

Alleluia, alleluia!

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Breanna Hicks, Prison Fellowship

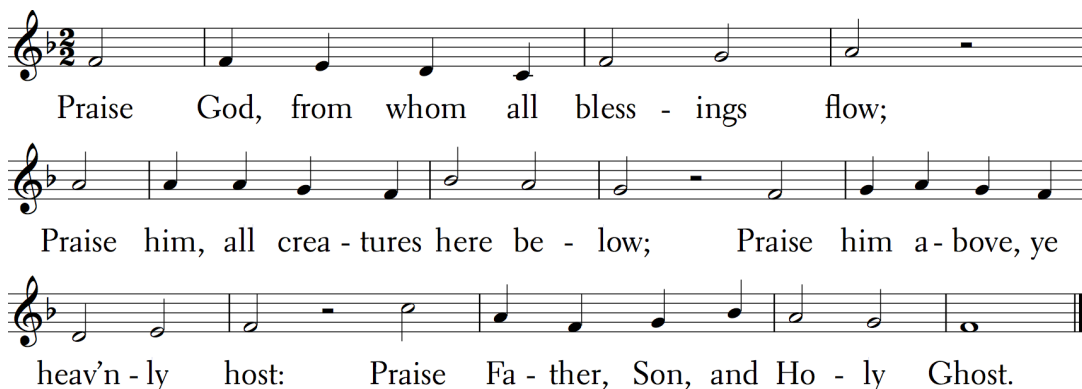
ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERTORY Doxology



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.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. 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....

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

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.

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 *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness*



1. Je - sus, thy blood and right - eous - ness my beau - ty
2. Bold shall I stand in thy great day, for who aught
3. Lord, I be - lieve thy pre - cious blood, which at the
4. Lord, I be - lieve were sin - ners more than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; 'midst flam - ing worlds, in
to my charge shall lay? Ful - ly ab - solved thru
mer - cy seat of God for - ev - er doth for
on the o - cean shore, thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, with joy shall I lift up my head.
these I am, from sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
sin - ners plead, for me, e'en for my soul, was shed.
ran - som paid, for all a full a - tone - ment made.

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

COMMUNION BLESSING AND POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray together ...

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. 840 *Now Thank We All Our God*

SENDING

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

POSTLUDE

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2 Corinthians 9:6-7

FALL STEWARDSHIP 2025 SOW GENEROUS

MINISTRY GATHERING DATES

Sunday, October 5	■ 1 p.m. in person
Tuesday, October 7	■ 10 a.m. in person and 7 p.m. Zoom only
Sunday, October 12	■ 1 p.m. in person

Join us at a time that works best for you in the Gathering Place. Use the QR code for Zoom.



Staff of
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

CLERGY

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

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Katelynn Granados, Alto Section Leader
Carolyn Kurtz, Music Librarian

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Anna Banks, Lead Sexton
Robert Kelley, Maintenance Technician
David Lovelace and Cynder Ros, Sextons

TODAY AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary	8 a.m.
Adult Seminar, Peel House Parlor.....	9:15 a.m.
<i>Friends of Club 21: helping families and individuals with Down syndrome to flourish, led by Joe Mason</i>	
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.
Lunch and Learn: <i>In the Footsteps of Paul</i> , Peel House Parlor.....	Noon
Swing Dance Lessons, Peel House Parlor	1:30 p.m.
Parish House Baroque Concert, Sanctuary	3 p.m.

SYNOD THEOLOGICAL CONVOCATION WORSHIP



Join us for Opening and Closing Worship!

OPENING WORSHIP
Monday September 29th at 7 p.m.
in the Sanctuary.

CLOSING WORSHIP
Thursday, October 2nd at 11 a.m.
in the Worship Center.

In the Footsteps of Paul *6 Week Lunch & Learn Course*

September 21 to October 26, 2025
Sundays from 12 – 1 p.m.
Peel House Parlor



Please register in advance
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