

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 1, 2021



WELCOME

It is a joy to have you here at worship with us today.

*Visitors are invited to pick up a Visitor's Packet as you leave worship today.
Thank you for joining us this morning! We are blessed by your presence.*

Children are always welcome in church.

*Large print bulletins for today's worship are available.
Feel free to ask an usher if interested.*

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

August 1 to August 8

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship w/Holy Communion
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Worship & Music Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Property Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Quilting
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE :

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Please kneel as you are able.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

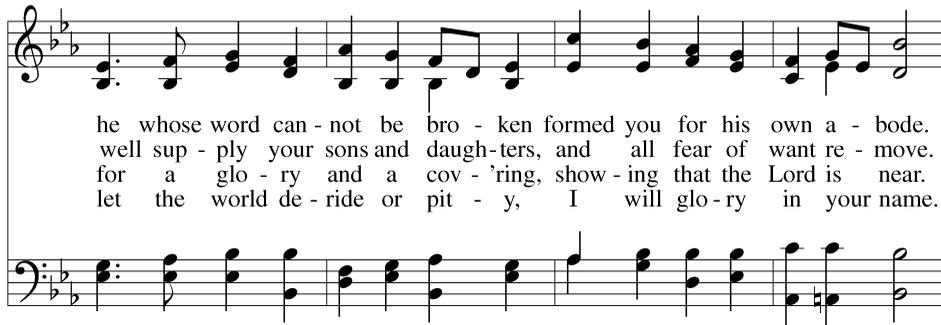
You are invited to share God's peace with those around you in a manner that feels safe to everyone. This may be exchanging spoken words without touch.

Glories of Your Name Are Spoken

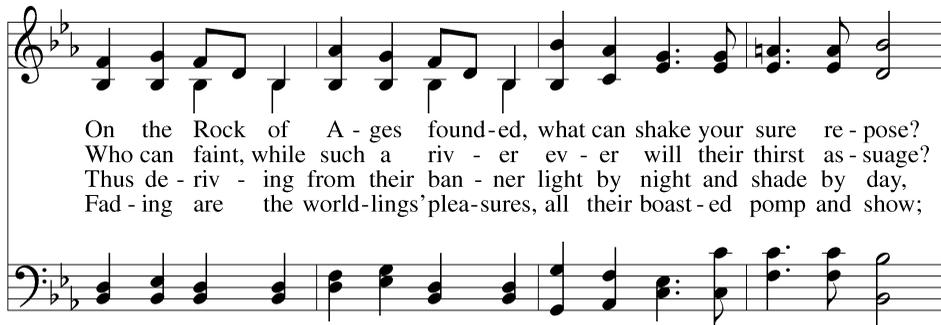
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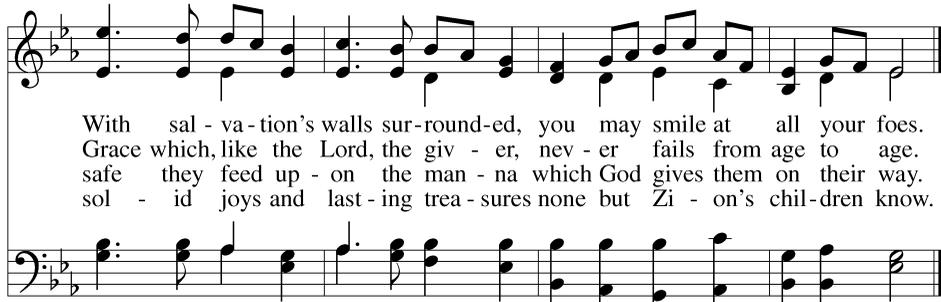
1 Glo - ries of your name are spo-ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;
2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring-ing from e - ter - nal love,
3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov'-ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
4 Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I through grace a mem - ber am,



he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed you for his own a - bode.
well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move.
for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the Lord is near.
let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in your name.



On the Rock of A - ges found-ed, what can shake your sure re - pose?
Who can faint, while such a riv - er ev - er will their thirst as - suage?
Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
Fad - ing are the world - lings' plea - sures, all their boast - ed pomp and show;



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round-ed, you may smile at all your foes.
Grace which, like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them on their way.
sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sures none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

GREETING

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.

KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. **O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts
before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with
the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.”

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²“I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 78:23-29

²³So God commanded the clouds above
and opened the doors of heaven,

²⁴**raining down manna upon them to eat
and giving them grain from heaven.**

²⁵So mortals ate the bread of angels;
God provided for them food enough.

²⁶**The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens
and powerfully led out the south wind,**

²⁷raining down flesh upon them like dust
and flying birds like the sand of the seas,

²⁸**letting them fall in the midst of the camp
and round about the dwellings.**

²⁹So the people ate and were well filled,
for God gave them what they craved.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:1-16

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said,

“When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;
he gave gifts to his people.”

⁹(When it says, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some

GOSPEL

John 6:24-35

The Gospel according to St John, the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” ²⁶Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” ²⁸Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” ²⁹Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” ³⁰So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?” ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” ³²Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

³⁵Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

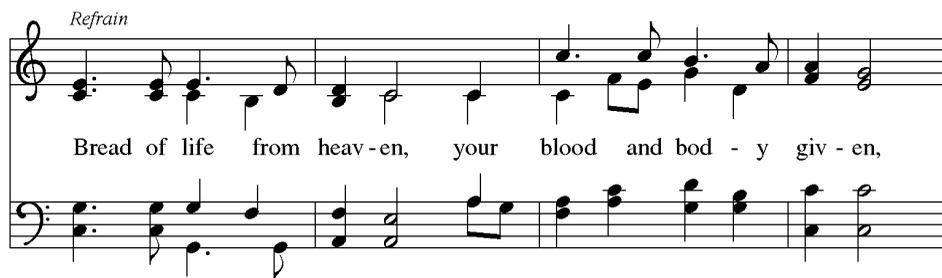
Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

Bread of Life from Heaven

Refrain



Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en,



we eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.



- 1 Break now the bread of Christ's sac - ri - fice; giv - ing
- 2 Seek not the food that will pass a - way; set your
- 3 Love as the one who, in love for you, gave him -
- 4 Dwell in the one who now dwells in you; make your
- 5 Drink of this cup and de - clare his death; eat this



thanks, hun - gry ones, gath - er round. Eat, all of you, and be
 hearts on the food that en - dures. Come, learn the true and the
 self for the life of the world. Come to the one who is
 home in the life - giv - ing Word. Know on - ly Christ, Ho - ly
 bread and be - lieve Eas - ter morn; trust his re - turn and, with



sat - is - fied; in Christ's pres - ence the loaves will a - bound.
 liv - ing way, that the full - ness of life may be yours.
 food for you, that your hun - ger and thirst be no more.
 One of God, and be - lieve in the truth you have heard.
 ev - 'ry breath, praise the one in whom you are re - born.

Refrain

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 INTERCESSION

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

MEAL

GATHERING OF GIFTS

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.
Online giving is available at felcc.org*

SPECIAL MUSIC

Please stand as you are able.

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Offering Song

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. **Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.**

DIALOG

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:



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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

*Please be seated and remove the cup and the napkin from plastic bag.
Peel off the seal from the bread portion of your communion.*

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying:
Take and eat; this is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.

This is the Body of Christ given for you. *(You may consume the bread.)*

Please remove the outer wrapping from the wine portion of your communion.

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

This is the Blood of Christ shed for you. *(You may consume the wine.)*

Please place your used cup and seals in the ziplock bag to avoid spillage. Please discard this bag in the receptacles as you leave worship.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

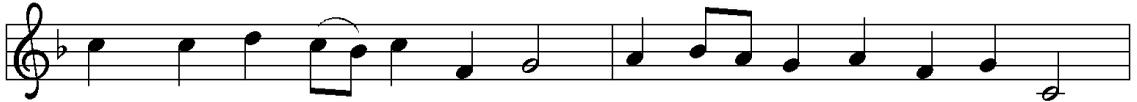
**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever.
Amen.**

TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

Music: Richard W. Hillert



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world
with your own life.
In your name we pray.
Amen.**

SENDING

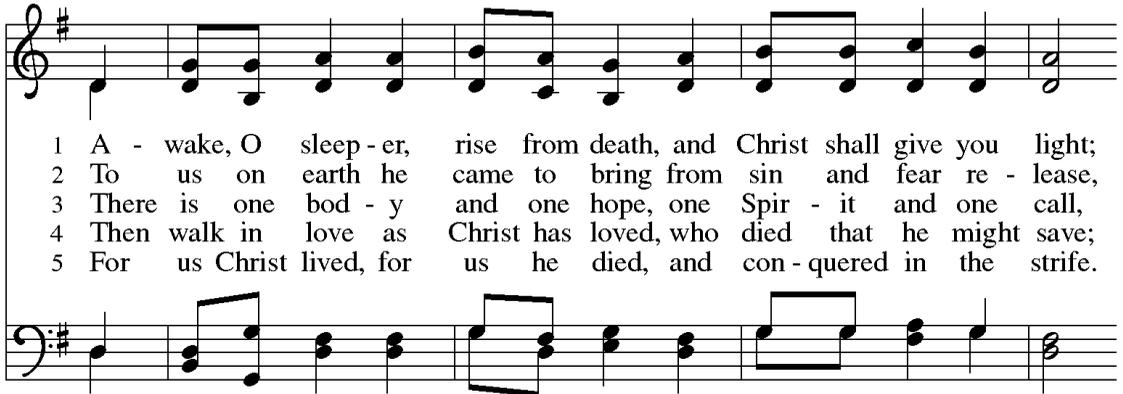
BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,

✠ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death



1 A - wake, O sleep - er, rise from death, and Christ shall give you light;
2 To us on earth he came to bring from sin and fear re - lease,
3 There is one bod - y and one hope, one Spir - it and one call,
4 Then walk in love as Christ has loved, who died that he might save;
5 For us Christ lived, for us he died, and con - quered in the strife.



so learn his love, its length and breadth, its full - ness, depth, and height.
to give the Spir - it's u - ni - ty, the ver - y bond of peace.
one Lord, one faith, and one bap - tism, one God who made us all.
with kind and gen - tle hearts for - give as God in Christ for - gave.
A - wake, a - rise, go forth in faith, and Christ shall give you life.

Text: F. Bland Tucker, 1895–1984

Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Please remember in your prayers ...

Luzana Charles (8/26)	Aloma Dawkins	Pat Dent
Thomas Dolan (8/27)	Denise Heinbaugh (8/20)	Bob High (8/6)
Mid Kramer	John Newcomer	Mary Osmanski (8/1)
Evelyn Scott	Pam Smith (8/21)	Joan Thorpe
James Warne	Grace Williams	Chuck Yaukey (8/20)
Tawny & Brad Arnold (Military)	Olivia Richart (Military)	

ATTENDANCE

July 25 48 In-person
34 on-line x 2 = 68 (ELCA formula)

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Prayers	Becky Hoover
Sound Board	Justin Holoviak
Live Stream	Justin Holoviak

Thank you to Ferree LeFevre for playing the organ
while Freda is away.

**Thank
You!**

BACK PACK BLESSINGS On August 22, we will ask God's blessings upon students and teachers. If you are going to school this fall you are invited to bring your backpack (or whatever you take with you to school) to worship and receive a school year blessing.



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF KITS It is the time of year again when we need to start gathering items for our kits. The following are needed: bath size bars of soap, metal nail clippers, adult toothbrushes, baby socks, gowns or sleepers without feet, ballpoint black or blue ink pens, and 70 sheet notebooks. A list of items and a collection box will be available outside the office by the poster. Thank you for being a part of this Lutheran World Relief Project.

COMING SOON: BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT AUGUST 21, 2021

Please help our neighborhood children be ready for their return to school. The Neighborhood Task Team is still in need of items to share with the children at our August Back-to-School event. We would like to provide **new**



(not used) underwear and socks to our neighborhood elementary school children, grades K-5. We expect 60-80 children with their parents to come through the doors of First. The team will offer underwear, socks, T-shirts, sweat pants, books, snacks, school supplies, back bags and songs and prayers for a successful school year. **Please donate (Collection box in Memorial Hall):** Girls Briefs or Boy cut panties (longer legs) for ages 5-12 (S,M,L). -Girls camis Med and Large. Boys Boxers or Briefs Ages 5-12 (S,M,L). Low cut socks (tennis style socks) for boys and girls ages 5-12. Please consider volunteering to help at this event as well as donating needed items. Volunteers may call the church office (717-264-2015) or Mary Gotwald (717-264-4759). Thank you for your support. Our neighbors count on us.

BOOK DISCUSSION Starting on Thursday September 16 at 2 p.m., Joyce Ray will be leading a book discussion on the book: Thou Shalt Not Be a Jerk by Eugene Cho. It is a Christian's guide to engaging politics. We will discuss a chapter a week. It is an easy read and we will have some great discussions and time to share our thoughts. Please read introduction and chapter 1 for the first meeting. Please let Joyce know if you need a book.

THE GIVE AND TAKE BOX Please share a few items. This box supplies personal care items such as shampoo, deodorant, tissues, toothpaste and brushes, hand soap, body soap, laundry detergent, dish detergent, band aids, and toilet paper. Thank you for your care and concern for those who need our support.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AT THE VILLAGE AT LUTHER RIDGE

Volunteer pianists are currently needed to play for the Sunday afternoon services at The Village at Luther Ridge. For more information, please contact Linda Beaver at 717-264-0737 or lbeaver@spiritrustlutheran.org

SPIRITRUST AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP drive has ended. Donations may still be made to Tudy Gates and Mary Beth McGraw-Warne.



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Church Office Hours – Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

We welcome visitors this morning.

Please pick up a **visitor's packet**. They are located at the top of the steps.
at the rear of the church or on the table at the elevator entrance.

Our Mission

The mission of First Lutheran Church is to be the light of Jesus,
burning brightly and vigorously in our community.

Worship Schedule

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

also on facebook at First Evangelical Lutheran Church
and on our webpage at www.FELCC.org

ALL are invited to hear and receive God's blessing in Jesus, and to worship with us.