

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 8, 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 8 – August 15**

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	11:00 a.m.	Aloma Dawkins Memorial
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Council
	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Finance Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Quilting
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship w/Holy Communion Newsletter Deadline

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.*

Be Thou My Vision



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931
Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray. **Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:4-8

⁴Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."⁵ Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."⁶ He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."⁸ He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 34:1-8

¹I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

²**I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.

⁴**I sought the LORD, who answered me
and delivered me from all my terrors.**

⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶**I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.**

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD
and delivers them.

⁸**Taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are they who take refuge in God!**

SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:25--5:2

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL

John 6:35, 41-51

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵Jesus said to the crowd, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” ⁴³Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

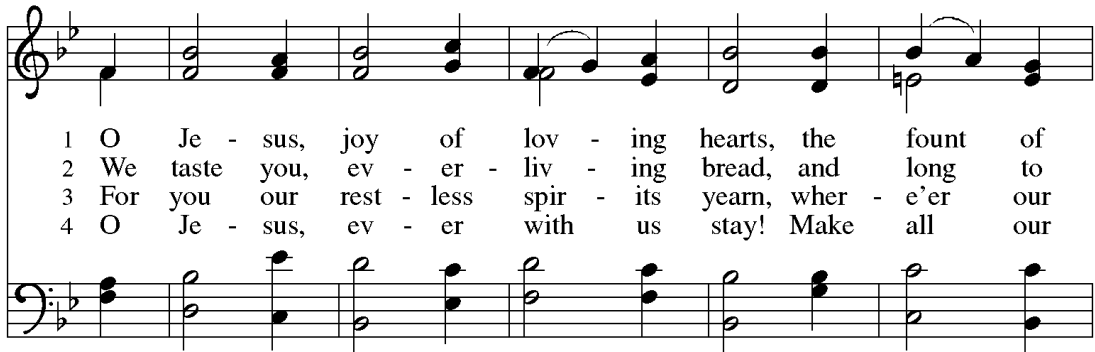
SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts



1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of
 2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to
 3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our
 4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our



life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -
 feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -
 chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you
 mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -



parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.
 head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.
 turn, blest, when by the faith we hold you fast.
 way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808–1887, alt.
 Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

OUR RESPONSE

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*

ANTHEM

Special Music

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY

Music: J.A. Freylinghausen 1670-1739

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. God, our Creator, you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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

**God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

BLESSING

**The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever. Amen.**

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

William Williams, 1717-1791; tr. William W. and Peter Williams, 1722-1796 alt. Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873-1932

1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me with your
wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my
fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me safe on

pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es,

feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield me with your might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Altar flowers are given in memory of William A. Nelling
on his 90th birthday by the family.

Please remember in your prayers ...

Luzana Charles (8/26)	Pat Dent	Thomas Dolan (8/27)
Bill Fuller (9/2)	Denise Heinbaugh (8/20)	Mid Kramer
John Newcomer	Evelyn Scott	Kathy Shoop (9/2)
Pam Smith (8/21)	Peggy Stout (9/2)	Joan Thorpe
James Warne	Grace Williams	Chuck Yaukey (8/20)
Family of Aloma Dawkins		Olivia Richart (Military)
Tawny & Brad Arnold (Military)		

ATTENDANCE

August 1 43 In-person
38 on-line x 2 = 76 (ELCA formula)

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Prayers	Nancy Fricke
Sound Board	Bob Lawyer
Live Stream	Justin Holoviak

SLICE: SEEKERS LEANING INTO INTENTIONAL CONVERSATIONS

ABOUT EQUALITY Peter Billings will talk about his experience in Haiti during the 2010 earthquake. The theme is communities during a crisis. We will be thinking about our own crises of faith when we are angry with God or have doubts and also think about crises outside of faith like earthquakes or the pandemic. After the presentation, we will have breakout groups to share our thoughts and ideas. All are welcome! August 14, 4 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. at Central Presbyterian Church.

LADIES BREAKFAST will be held on Wednesday, August 18 at 8:30 a.m. at Johnnie's Restaurant. All ladies are welcome!

BACK PACK BLESSINGS August 22, we 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 time of year to gather 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 pens, black/blue ink pens, crayons in boxes of 16/24 crayons, 70 sheet notebooks and pencil sharpeners. A list of items and collection box are outside the office. Thank you for being a part of this Lutheran World Relief Project.

BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT August 21 from 11 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Neighborhood Task Team is in need of items to share with the neighborhood children. We need **new** (not used) underwear and socks for elementary age children. We expect 60-80 children and their parents. We 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. **To volunteer** call Mary Gotwald (717-264-4759). Thank you for your help with this ministry.

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.



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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.