Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Worship at the Park June 23, 2024



WELCOME VISITORS

We are thrilled to have you worshipping with us at Greene Township Park, as we come together in praise and thanksgiving to God for this wonderful day.

We hope you will join us again. On other Sundays we gather for worship at 9:30 (summer) and 10:45 (school year) at First Evangelical Lutheran Church 43 W Washington Street; Chambersburg, PA 17202
Thank you for joining us this morning! We are blessed by your presence.

Large print programs for today's worship are available. Feel free to ask someone handing out the programs if interested.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST June 23 - June 30

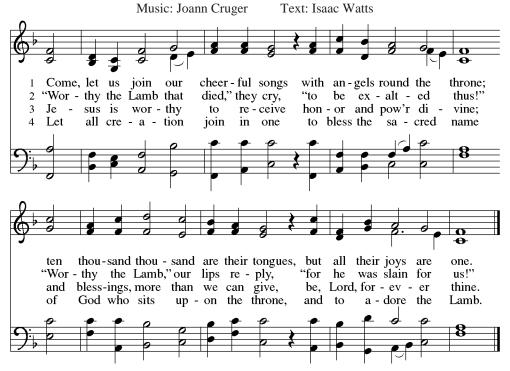
Sunday	10:45 a.m.	Outdoor Worship at Greene Township Park Picnic follows Worship
Monday	9:00 a.m.	NTT Sorting
wionday	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	LWR Quilters
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 95

All: Verse 1 of Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs



Person 1

- 1 Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

All: Verse 2

Person 2

- 3 For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

All: Verse 3

Person 3 6 Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; 7 for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

All: Verse 4

GREETING

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

O Lord, you are everything to us. You are the healing sun and the cleansing rain. You are the gentle breeze that calls our names.

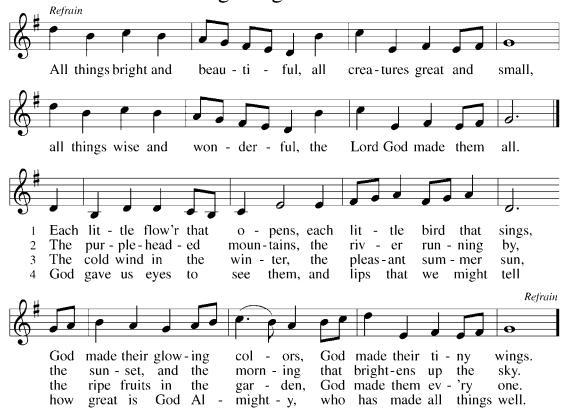
O Lord, when life begins to overwhelm, You are the quiet spring that renews our dying faith. You are the ocean breeze that refreshes our weary souls. You are the waterfall that surrounds us in unconditional love.

O Lord, when we forget to seek you when our spirits fall, thank you for surrounding us with the beauty of your creation. With you, O Lord, our souls are renewed.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, we gather to offer you praise and thanksgiving for your unfailing love and faithfulness. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, open our eyes to recognize you here among us. Give us courage to step out in faith to meet you, and confidence to follow where you lead, for you are our God, and we are your people. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

All Things Bright and Beautiful



Text: Cecil F. Alexander, 1818-1895, alt.

Music: ROYAL OAK, English tune, 17th cent., adapt. Martin Shaw, 1875-1958



OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Samuel 17

The story of David and Goliath, found in the 17th chapter of First Samuel, follows last week's reading when God rejects Saul's leadership and has a young boy, David, youngest son of Jesse, anointed to be King of Israel.

PSALM Psalm 107

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God's mercy endures forever.

²Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,

³gathering them in from the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

²³Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade in deep waters.

²⁴They beheld the works of the LORD, God's wonderful works in the deep.

²⁵Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.

²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths; their souls melted away in their peril.

²⁷They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.

²⁸Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD, and you delivered them from their distress.

²⁹You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.

³⁰Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.

³¹Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.

³²Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

GOSPEL READING

Mark 4:35-41 (New International Reader's Version)

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 4th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

- ³⁵When evening had come, Jesus said to the disciples, "Let's go over to the other side of the lake." ³⁶They left the crowd behind. And they took him along in a boat, just as he was. There were also other boats with him.
- ³⁷A wild storm came up. Waves crashed over their boat. It was about to sink. ³⁸Jesus was in the back asleep on a cushion. He disciples woke him up. They said, "Teacher! Don't you care if we drown?
- ³⁹He got up and ordered the wind to stop. He said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down. And it was completely calm.
- ⁴⁰ He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Don't you have any faith at all yet?"
- ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him?"

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

ACTING IT OUT

- 1. When have you been afraid?
- 2. What or who helped you to remember to call on God when you were scared?
- 3. How did God help to calm you down and give you peace like Jesus calmed down the waves and gave the disciples peace?

WHEN THE STORM ROARS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Sometimes we are like your disciples of long ago:

Shouting in fear of what is happening all around us.

Sometimes we find ourselves in predicaments and we forget to turn to you.

Sometimes we are the ones creating storms for others in our family, church, and community.

In silent prayer, let us offer God our confession and our hope. (Silence)

Through Christ, we proclaim the Good News:

We are forgiven and made new.

The Holy Spirit gives us faith, to believe in the power of God, our Savior.

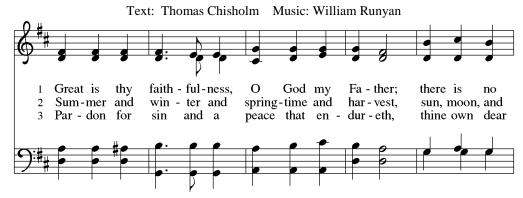
God commands us:

Go out. Be My people. Live the Good News.

Share. Pray. Help. Sing. Dance.

Be at peace with Christ and with one another. Amen.

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS





OUR RESPONSE

SPECIAL MUSIC

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Online giving is available at felcc.org or by scanning this QR code.



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

May our prayer rise before you, O God. (pause – bubbles)
Thank you for the outdoors you created, including
We float our prayers to God. Come Holy Spirit.
May our prayer rise before you, O God. (pause – bubbles)
Help us to tell others about Jesus everywhere we go, including
We float our prayers to God. Come Holy Spirit.
May our prayer rise before you, O God. (pause – bubbles)
Thank you God for people who speak different languages, like
We float our prayers to God. Come Holy Spirit.
May our prayer rise before you, O God. (pause – bubbles)
Thank you for the things we look forward to this summer, including
We float our prayers to God. Come Holy Spirit.
May our prayer rise before you, O God. (pause – bubbles)
We ask your healing hand to be upon those who are sick, including
We float our prayers to God. Come Holy Spirit. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

(Start with a quiet whisper and grow it into a loud voice – crescendo.)

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.

SENDING

BLESSING

May the God of all creation, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you now and always. **Amen.**

For the Beauty of the Earth



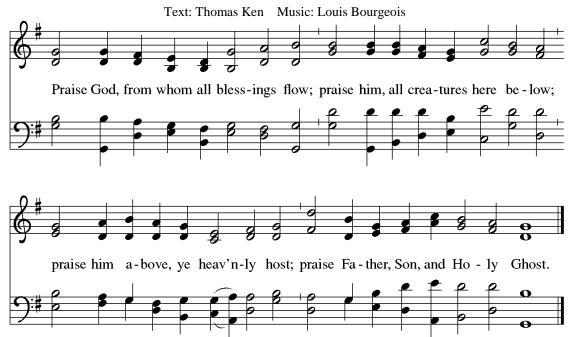
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DISMISSAL

As Jesus calms our seas, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW



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Please remember in your prayers ...

(members listed in bold)

Healing: Bonnie (6/30), June Boring (6/23),

Jay (7/8), **Julie Diehl** (6/23), **June Diehl** (7/14), LaVonne Dorseth (7/15),

Joanne Fisher (7/22), Destinee Gray (7/17), **Becky Hoover** (7/17),

Joyce Morschhauser (7/9), Edison Paul (7/9), **Bev Rebok** (/21)

Dia Schumacher (6/25), Garry Shatzer (7/3), Juanita Shaw (7/13)

Long Term Care: Pat Dent, Nancy George, Charles Kampmeyer and Joe Pine

Military: Tawny & Brad Arnold, Parker Brown, and Rubens Paul

ATTENDANCE June 16 64 in person 5 on line



THANKS BE TO GOD for the arrival of Rubens Paul's wife (Love Mica) and son (Melvin age 8) on June 8. They are in housing near the church for a 5 week period through July 13. Rubens returns from military training on July 10. The cost for

this temporary housing in \$2500. If you would like to support the Paul family during this time of transition, we will receive donations and share them as need arise. Please write "Rubens Paul family" on your check or envelope. Thank you.

NEIGHBORHOOD TASK TEAM is having a work day on Monday June 24 from 9-11 am. We will be working on sorting, organizing and bagging items for the **Back to School Event**. Please join us. We have much to do to make this a special day for the elementary school children of our community. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Gotwald at 717-264-4759.

SAVE THE DATE – Pastor Steve Dorsett and his family will be celebrating his 50th Ordination Anniversary with us on June 30 at our 9:30 worship. A reception of danish pastry and fruit will follow.



<u>SUPPORT NTT</u> use Thrivent Dollars Grant Money. We will help you through the short process. Tim Gotwald 717-264-4759 <u>tgotwald@embarqmail.com</u>

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE wishes to increase its membership. Meetings are scheduled for the second Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. as needed. Usually there are 6-7 meetings annually, primarily to develop the budget and conduct mid-year reviews. Contact Tedd Sloan, Sally Herritt, Carol McCoy or Pastor Nicholson if interested

<u>GIVE - N - TAKE</u> to maintain a supply of non-perishable food please bring one food item with you when you come to church. A container will be in Memorial Hall for collecting. Blessings from the Neighborhood Task Team.

<u>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</u> at St. Luke's (2695 Luther Dr.) on July 7-11, 5:30-8:00 p.m., ages 4-12. Register at: <u>www.stlukechambersburg.org/2024-vbs</u>.

BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT Please purchase briefs for boys and girls. No hipsters please. We are collecting gray t-shirts for the boys and camis for the girls. Small, Medium

BACK TO SCHOOL

and Large children's sizes for both. This collection will last until June 30. Envelopes are at the entrances of sanctuary. Thank you. If you are willing to volunteer for the Back To School Event on August 24, please contact Beth Fairchild 717-816-8122.



100% CHANCE OF RAIN with delightful moments of music and humor, Mrs. Noah (Karen Knight from Sight and Sound Theater) will tell the story of coping with an overwhelming task in an unusual situation while finding the faith to overcome her life's unexpected storms. Mrs. Noah's message in story and song will make you laugh...move you to tears..... & leave you inspired in your faith. Join us at worship on August 11 as the Women of the

ELCA provide leadership for our worship together. Feel free to invite friends.

SCAN PROGRAM volunteer to help a school district child with specific clothing needs. Contact Kim Martin to sign up and for information. You may choose how much you want to donate and how often you want to donate. Kim's phone 717-446-0842 or email her at kmartin 898@hotmail.com

THANK YOU to all who helped with the outdoor worship and picnic today.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS – June 30

Lector: Becky Hoover Soundboard: Scott Carbaugh

Greeters: Nancy Hamilton Altar Guild: Barb Evans & Karin Woods

Ushers: Rick Gates & Denny Love



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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

Worship 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.