

FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**WELCOME to First Lutheran Church!** We are happy that you decided to worship with us. If you are visiting just for today, we pray that God will be with you on your journey. If you are seeking a church home, we would be happy to welcome you into our church community. If you are interested in joining with the First Family, call the church office...and please worship with us again.

**ALL BAPTIZED** worshipers who confess the presence of Christ in the bread and wine of communion are invited to commune. Children are invited to come forward for a blessing. Communicants please complete a communion card.

**CHILDREN'S BULLETINS** providing activities based on today's scripture readings are available in the narthex.

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS** containing soft Biblical figures and coloring books are available for young children to use during worship. Speak to an usher if your child is interested.

**A STAFFED NURSERY (available at 10:45 worship)** is located on the second floor of the education building.

## 20 TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 18, 2009

8:15 AM and 10:45 AM

*The beginning of the organ prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.*

### GATHERING

Preludes and Silent Prayer

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

*The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*The assembly kneels. Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

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.**

Litany

O God, Lord and Giver of life,

**We beseech you to hear us, O Lord.**

That it may please you to bless all those who sow the seed and reap the harvest of the world,

**We beseech you to hear us, O Lord.**

In thanksgiving for bountiful fields, for barns with harvest filled, for our fellow creatures who provide us with milk and meat and hide,

**We beseech you to hear us, O Lord.**

In thanksgiving for brilliant dawns and glorious sunsets, for birds which sing, and for the comforting sounds of nature's night,

**We beseech you to hear us, O Lord.**

Help us to keep clean and pure the land which you have given us, so that all who follow after us may enjoy the bounty which you have provided,

**We beseech you to hear us, O Lord.**

# Glory to God



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



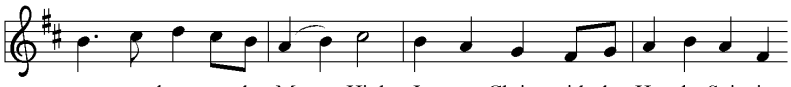
you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

Prayer of the Day (Celebrate insert)  
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Let us pray... **Amen**

## WORD

First Reading Isaiah 53:4-12 (Celebrate insert)  
**R/Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 91 (Celebrate insert)  
(Read responsively, 8:15; sung choir and congregation, 10:45)

Second Reading Hebrews 5:1-10 (Celebrate insert)  
**R/Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Acclamation  
*(first Alleluia: cantor/choir; second Alleluia: congregation;  
verse: cantor/choir; final Alleluia: congregation)*

Gospel Mark 10:35-45  
**R/ Glory to you, O Lord. R/ Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Sermon ***"Make a Wish"***

Hymn of the Day "Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen" # 548

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 the Church (Celebrate insert)

The Peace

## **THE MEAL**

Offering

Doxology

**# 884**

Offertory Prayer

## The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The image shows a musical score for 'The Great Thanksgiving' in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so 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...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

The image shows a musical score for 'Hosanna in the Highest' in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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

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.**

## **COMMUNION**

Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in eternal life. **Amen**

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

O God, we give you thanks  
that you have set before us this feast,  
the body and blood of your Son.  
By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need  
and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **SENDING**

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

HYMN "For the Fruit of All Creation"

# 679

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**IN THE TIME BEFORE WORSHIP TODAY**, the congregation is encouraged to read each introduction to the scripture readings in preparation for the hearing of God's word.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and in memory of mother, Mary Belle Sager, and family by Evelyn Sager. **CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given in memory of Jack H. Irwin by Gwen and family AND in memory of Jack Evans Ludwig by Sue and John Ludwig AND by Susan and Mark Sloan.

**ACOLYTES** are Lauren Nicassio, Jaden Johnston, and Ian Ponitz.

**THE NURSERY** is in the care of Sue Mains and Abigail Delk. Children under the age of 4 are welcome.

**TAPE MINISTRY** is provided by Al Danilko. Tapes will be delivered tomorrow by Betty Mehan.

**LECTORS** are Melissa Wisniewski and Alex Byers.

**GREETERS** are at 8:15 Vicar Jack - north door, Pastor Doug - center, Pastor Marleen - south door, Sue Boggs - choir door; at 10:45 Vicar Jack - north door, Pastor Doug - center, Pastor Marleen - south door, Patti Sias - choir door.

**THE CONGREGATION** is reminded to respect the concerns of members who cannot shake hands during the flu season when we share the peace in worship. A verbal greeting of peace can serve as a substitute.

**TODAY IS HARVEST HOME SUNDAY.** You are invited to place your non perishable food gifts on the table before worship or during the offertory. Your gifts will be taken to our Mission Congregation, Apostles, Penn Hills, and Trinity, Verona for use in the local food pantry for needy in their area.

**JUNIOR CHOIR** rehearses at 9:00 this morning in the Junior Choir Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the education building. Welcome!

**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST** is available this morning and every Sunday, 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Join us.

**SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES** provide two opportunities for discussion for adults. "Living the Faith" is facilitated by Daisy Shields. A discipline on making Christ central in your life, "In Pursuit of Jesus" is facilitated by Dianna Marusko.

**THRIVENT FINANCIAL FOR LUTHERANS** is holding Chapter 11 Elections after both worship services today. See Joan Orr in the foyer of the education building.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDIES** continue tomorrow evening. You are welcome to begin the evening by enjoying a meal together at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall (bring your own food). The three study groups begin at 7:00 p.m.

**REBEKAH CIRCLE** will meet Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. in the conference room.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS** this week include Budget and Finance, Tues., 6:30 p.m., Christian Ed. and Stewardship, Tues., 7:00 p.m.

**FOOD FROM THE HEART**, our weekday luncheon ministry continues this Wednesday at noon.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS** meets Wed., 6:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** continues this Thursday, 10:30 - 11:30 in the conference room.

**FIRST'S ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE** is Thursday, noon to 6:00 p.m. Give as you are able and invite others to join with you in giving the gift of life. Volunteers are needed as greeters, walkers, and canteen workers. Donations of cookies will be greatly appreciated. If you are able to lend a hand on Thursday, please speak to Dave or Sue Cobb, coordinators of the Blood Drive, or call the church office.

**CHOIRS** rehearse Thursday evening. Bell Choir meets at 6:15 p.m.; adult choir meets at 7:00 p.m.

**JEREMY WAITE AND SARAH WELCH** plan to unite in marriage next Saturday and ask for your prayers.

**THE JAVA TABLE** will be open next Sunday after both worship services. Visit the table in the fellowship hall and check out the assortment of fair trade coffees, teas, and chocolates available for purchase.

**INTERN COMMITTEE** will meet next Sunday after 10:45 a.m. worship.

**ALL AGES ARE INVITED** to a Halloween – Reformation Dance on Friday, Oct. 30, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Senior F.L.Y. members are invited to stay and dance from 9:00 p.m. to midnight and participate in a Lock-In until 8:00 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 31.

**IF YOUR LOVED ONE IS HOSPITALIZED** please notify the pastors or call the church office. Due to the new HIPA rules, the hospital does not always notify us of members' admissions.

**PLEASE KEEP** our loved ones, serving in Iraq, in your prayers – Matt Lenart and John Zuzarate.

**WORSHIP ATTENDANCE** last Sunday was 192.