

## Welcome to Worship

God is here for you,  
In the word and sacraments, in the love  
of this community.

Great to have you here! Thank you for  
choosing to worship with us at First  
Lutheran today.

**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 15, 2021**  
**GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER**

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*Scattering seeds of love  
worship & service*

### Prelude/Welcome/Announcements

#### Call to Worship

P: We worship as we live in the name of the Father +and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Come, be nourished by the words and witness of Jesus Christ.

**C: He came that we might know of God's absolute, steadfast love for us.**

P: Receive the gift of the Bread of Life and hunger no more.

**C: We are grateful for Jesus Christ, who has given to us this magnificent gift.**

P: Come, let us worship and rejoice!

**C: Let us sing our praises to God. Amen.**

#### Opening Hymn: No. 556 "Morning Has Broken"

#### Confession of Sin:

P: God of all  
mercy and consolation come to the aid of your people, turning  
us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your  
Holy Spirit, that we may be attentive to your Word, that we may  
confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the  
fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

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

P: Gracious God,

**C:**

mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left

**Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in the newness of life, to the honor and  
your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **C: Amen.**

#### Prayer Day:

Prayer Day.

**Praying God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his  
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ,  
and Lord. Amen.**

### HEARING GOD'S WORD

#### First Lesson: Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine,  
she has also set her table. She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, "You that are  
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Here ends the first lesson. **C: Thanks be to God.**

#### **Psalm 34:9-14**

Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord, for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.

**C: The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.**

Come, children, and listen to me; I will teach you reverence for the Lord.

**C: Who among you takes pleasure in life and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?**

Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from lying words.

**C: Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.**

The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

#### **Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:15-20**

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Here ends the second lesson. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Please stand in honor of the reading of the gospel. The Holy Gospel is taken from **John 6:51-58.**

**C: Glory to you O Lord.**

[Jesus said,] "I 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 Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

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

#### **Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day No. 469 "By Your Hand You Feed Your People"**

**Apostles' Creed**

**C: 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.**

*\* Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.*

#### **Prayers of the Church**

P: Lord in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

#### **Mission Moment**

#### **Offertory Prayer**

P: Let us pray.

**C: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.**

#### **Lord's Prayer**

**C: 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.**

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## GOD'S PEOPLE SENT FORTH

### Benediction

Sending Hymn No. 812 "Faith of Our Fathers" vs. 1,3

### Dismissal

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord,

C: Thanks be to God.

**The Worship Radio Broadcast** today is sponsored in loving memory of Jim Thode by Gayl Thode and family. Five years may have come and gone but you are deeply missed and loved by all of us!

✠ **Continuing Prayer Concerns:** Val Carmondy, Janice Harkema, John Dubbelde as they deal with health issues; Mike & Jennifer Thode's daughter, Maddie Joyce, who is hospitalized and Gene Spicer, on the passing of his sister-in-law, Donna Spicer.

**Noisy Offering for "Lutheran Disaster Relief"** The total amount collected for Lutheran Disaster Relief to this date is \$280.92. Thank you for your support for Lutheran Disaster Relief.

### **This Week's Schedule – Aug 15, 2021**

**Today** 9:30am Worship at Church and live streamed

**Wednesday** 9:00am FLCW trip to Sioux Falls

**Sunday** 9:30am Worship/Holy Communion at Church and live streamed \_\_\_\_\_

### **FLCW Trip to Sioux Falls Wednesday, August 18**

**9:00am** Coffee at Church; Tour Heritage Park at Augustana

**Noon:** Lunch

**Afternoon:** Tour St. Joseph's Cathedral

**Call the church office if you are interested in attending – 825-5837.**

### **Join Us for the Lauren Daigle Concert**

Adult Education Committee would like to invite you to join us in Sioux Falls at the Denny Sanford Premier Centre October 21st, 2021 at 7:30pm for the Lauren Daigle Concert. One group may go early for a dinner meal if there is an interest. Call the Denny Sanford box office for tickets at (605) 367-7288.

### **School kits**

Items needed are: One box of 16 or 24 crayons; Four notebooks; One ruler with 30-centimeters & inches; One pencil sharpener; One eraser; One pair of blunt scissors; 5 unsharpened #2 pencils; 5 black or blue ball point pens (no gel ink).

Please bring them to Church by September 1<sup>st</sup>.

**"Volunteers needed"** to help record during Worship services to stream on Facebook live. Please contact Cristy Appel @ 215.1738.



***“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works,  
which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”***

***Ephesians 2:10***

**Together we are the church. There are many people with many gifts and there are people who are looking for a friendly phone call or visitor. We are looking at building a team of people who will with open ears, accept people as they are and bring the caring presence of Christ to others. If you would like to know more about this ministry and how you can serve one another contact Pastor Joyce.**

***A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another.”***  
***John 13:34-35***

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