



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Gathered by God, We Live Our Faith With:
Compassion, Grace, Gratitude, and Joy.**

Welcome to Worship :: October 19, 2025

Today's Worship Ministers

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Order of Service

Gathering

Announcements, Prelude
Confession/Forgiveness
The Peace

Hymn: ELW 504 A Mighty Fortress

The Word

Pastoral Greeting

Kyrie: ELW Setting 4, page 147

"This Is The Feast": ELW Setting 4, page 149

Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Genesis 32:22-31; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Gospel Acclamation: ELW Setting 4, page 151

Luke 18:1-8

Sermon

Hymn: ELW 574, Here I Am, Lord

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Holy Communion

Offering Prayer

Offering Hymn: ELW 694 Sing to the Lord of Harvest

Verses 1 and 3

Great Thanksgiving: ELW Setting 4, page 152

"Holy, Holy, Holy": ELW Setting 4, page 153

Lord's Prayer

"Lamb of God": ELW Setting 4, page 154

Hymn During Communion: ELW 592, Just As I Am

Post Communion Prayer

Sending

Benediction

Benediction Refrain: ELW 538, The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

Dismissal

Check Out Our Welcome Center

Coffee Station: We have a variety of Coffee and Tea options in our Narthex. Feel free to enjoy your beverage throughout the worship service

Giving Station: Our offering Plate and Vision and Purpose Giving Jar are located under the Narthex window

Vision and Purpose: In October, we are supporting Mosaic, a Lutheran-founded ministry for adults with disabilities.

Weekly Newsletters: Print Copies of our weekly newsletter are available under the Narthex Window. The email version will be sent out on Monday. If you wish to receive a copy by email or a hard copy by mail, please let Pastor Jamie know.

In Our Prayers

Linda Ellison, Ila Roseberry, Kathi Cruce, Dean Sandstrom, Emily Agema, Janet Lowe, Brian Elliott, Wes Lovdahl, Doug Moulden, Marlene Moulden, Dan Golden, Teresa Eyler

Halloween Fun Night

Our Annual Halloween Fun Night will be Tuesday, October 28th.

We get to welcome families from all over Monmouth to our church and provide a fun, safe space to celebrate the creativity of Halloween.

Join us for all the fun that night. Doors open to the public at 6 PM

22 The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. 23 He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. 24 Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. 25 When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. 26 Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." 27 So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." 28 Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." 29 Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. 30 So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." 31 The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

14 But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it 15 and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. 16 All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, 17 so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

4 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: 2 proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. 3 For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires 4 and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. 5 As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

18 Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. 2 He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. 3 In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' 4 For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, 5 yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " 6 And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. 7 And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? 8 I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"