

# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH MONMOUTH, IL

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## Gathered by God, We Live Our Faith With:

Compassion, Grace, Gratitude, and Joy.

Welcome to Worship :: September 28, 2025

# **Today's Worship Ministers**

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# **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 September, we are supporting the "Out of Darkness" Suicide prevention walk.

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, Hannah Taylor, Wes Lovdahl, Pam Best, Doug Moulden, Marlene Moulden, Katie Fry, Dan Golden

#### 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

# **Order of Service**

#### **Gathering**

Announcements, Prelude Confession/Forgiveness The Peace

Hymn: ELW 880, O God, Beyond All Praising

#### The Word

Pastoral Greeting
Kyrie: ELW Setting 4, page 147
"This Is The Feast": ELW Setting 4, page 149

#### Prayer of the Day

O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Gospel Acclamation: ELW Setting 4, page 151 Luke 16:19-31 Sermon

#### **Holy Communion**

Offering Prayer

Offering Hymn: ELW 734 God, Whose Farm Is All Creation

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 807, Come Thou Fount of

Every Blessing

#### **Sending**

Benediction

Benediction Refrain: ELW 512, Lord Let my Heart Be Good Soil

Dismissal

Amos 6:1a, 4-7 Warnings to those who have turned away from God

6 Woe to those who are at ease in Zion and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria, 4 Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and lounge on their couches and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the stall, 5 who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David improvise on instruments of music, 6 who drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! 7 Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

### 1 Timothy 6:6-19

6 Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, 7 for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, 8 but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. 9 But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

11 But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. 13 In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you 14 to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. 16 It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

17 As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. 18 They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, 19 thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

#### Luke 16:19-31 The Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus

19 "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. 20 And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, 21 who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. 22 The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 23 In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. 24 He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.' 25 But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. 26 Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' 27 He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house—28 for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' 29 Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' 30 He said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' 31 He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"