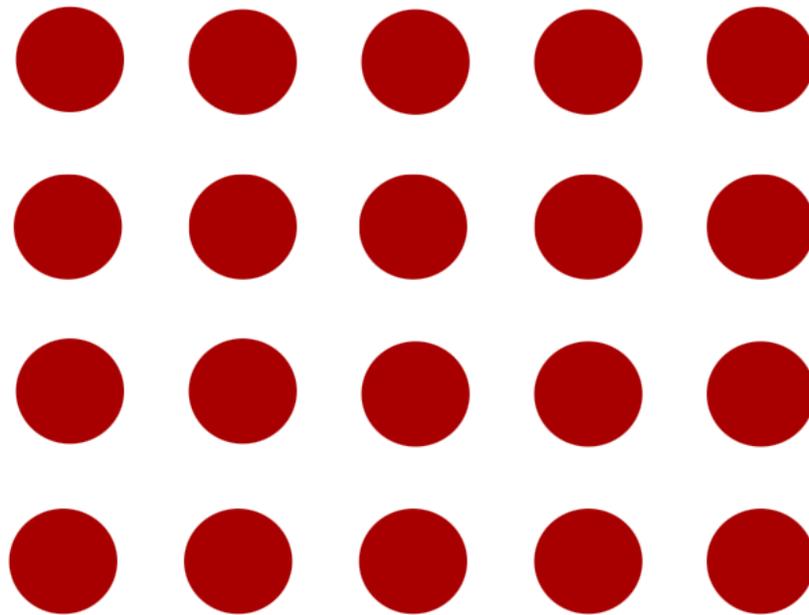


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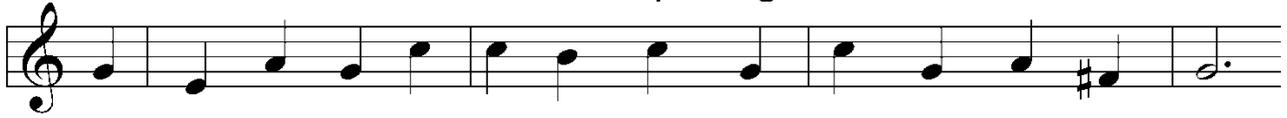
PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

LSB 733 vv. 1-3,6



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad-ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last
And our eternal home!

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SIN

Pastor: The Lord says, “Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth.” (*Psalm 46:10*)

(silence for meditation and self-examination)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

All: **who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

All: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.**

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His

people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

All: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: The Lord Almighty is with us;

All: the God of Jacob is our fortress. (Psalm 46:11)

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

KYRIE

Pastor:

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

People:

Lord, have mer-cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Pastor:

For the Reign of God, and for peace through-out the

world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

People:

Lord, have mer-cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Pastor:

For Your peo-ple here, who have come to give You praise, for the strength to live Your Word, let us pray to the Lord.

People:

Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Pastor:

Help, save, and de - fend us, O, God.

People:

A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

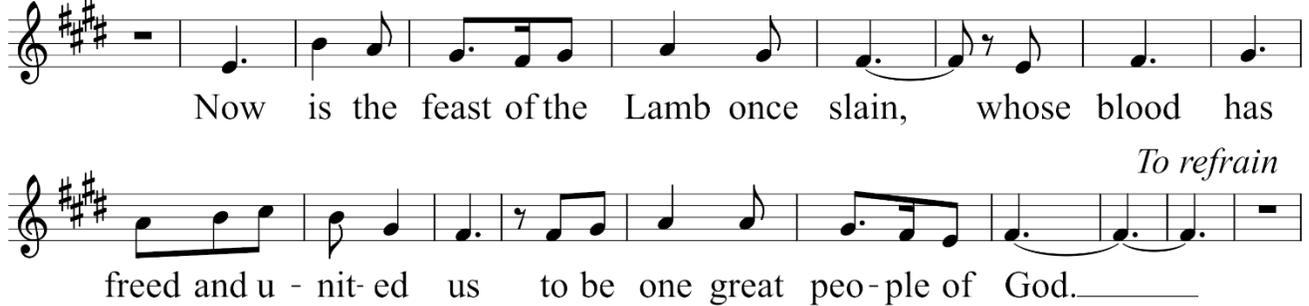
"Now The Feast"

Refrain



Now the feast and cel-e - bra-tion, all of cre - a-tion sings for joy to the
God of life and love and free-dom: praise and glo-ry for
ev - er - more!

Verse 1:



Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has
To refrain
freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.

Verse 2:



Pow-er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon-or and glo-ry to
To refrain
Christ for ev - er.

Verse 3:



For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God;
To refrain
to make all things new.

PROMISE OF CHRIST'S PRESENCE

Pastor: The Lord is with you.

All: **And also with you.**

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: O Lord,

All: Help us to abide in You and remain in Your Word. Make a home with us as we cling to Your promises and receive all Your good gifts, knowing that we belong to You, for You live and reign together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 46

R: ¹God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

**A: ²Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,**

R: ³though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

**A: ⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

R: ⁵God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.

**A: ⁶The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.**

R: ⁷The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**A: ⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD,
how he has brought desolations on the earth.**

R: ⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;

A: he burns the chariots with fire.

R: ¹⁰“Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,

A: I will be exalted in the earth!”

R: ¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us;

A: the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 8:29-39

²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 11:25-30

²⁵At that time Jesus declared, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Elder: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN

"In Christ Alone"

Verse 1

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest
drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of
peace when fears are stilled
when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

Verse 2

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

Verse 4

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

MESSAGE

OFFERING

*During this time while we are worshiping together in person and virtually,
we pray you consider electronic giving or mailing in your offering.
For options, please contact the church office.*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Deacon: Lord, in Your mercy,
All: hear our prayer.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION FAMILY PRAYER

All: Lord Jesus, we enter this Holy Meal in complete honesty about our dependence on You. We are not worthy to receive You, but only say the Word and we shall be healed. Our hearts belong to You and to You alone. As Your Body and Blood are presented to us and upon our eating and drinking, unite Yourself to us and us to You. Unite us with each other as Your Family, of past, present, and future. It is only right that we together give thanks to You in all times and places for Your Merciful and Gracious work that saved us and continues to sustain us in Your Holy Sacraments. For You are Holy, Powerful and Mighty, Worthy of all praise. We pray this to You and pray the prayer You taught us....

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

AGNUS DEI

Pastor: Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

All: Have mercy on us.

Pastor: Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

All: Have mercy on us.

Pastor: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world.

All: Grant us Your Peace.

ASSURANCE OF CHRIST'S PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the incarnate Christ, who came and dwelt amongst us, be with you now and always.

All: Amen.

RECEPTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

September 11, 2022



Eat this bread, drink this cup, Come to Him and nev - er be hun - gry.



Eat this bread, drink this cup, Trust in Him and you will not thirst.



1 This is His bod - y giv - en for you; this is His blood that was shed for you.



2 As of - ten as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you show His death un - til He comes a - gain.



3 Eat His flesh and drink His blood, and Christ will raise you up on the Last Day.



4 An - y - one who eats this bread will live for - ev - er.



5 If we be - lieve and eat this bread, we will have e - ter - nal life.



COMMUNION SONG

"How Great Is Our God"

Verse 1

The splendor of a King
 Clothed in majesty
 Let all the earth rejoice
 All the earth rejoice

He wraps Himself in light
 And darkness tries to hide
 And trembles at His voice
 Trembles at His voice

Refrain:

How great is our God
 Sing with me
 How great is our God
 And all will see
 How great, how great is our God

Verse 2

Age to age He stands
 And time is in His hands
 Beginning and the end
 Beginning and the end

The Godhead Three in One
 Father, Spirit, Son
 The Lion and the Lamb
 The Lion and the Lamb

Refrain

Bridge (2x)

Name above all names
 Worthy of our praise
 My heart will sing
 How great is our God

Refrain (2x)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor:



May God bless us and keep us.
 May God's face shine on us and be gracious to us.
 May God look on us with favor and ✠ give us peace.

People:



A - - - - - men.



1 In Thee is glad - ness A - mid all sad - ness, Je - sus,
2 Since He is ours, _____ We fear no pow - ers, Not of



sun - shine of my heart. By Thee are giv - en The gifts of
earth nor sin nor death. He sees and bless - es In worst dis -



heav - en, Thou the true Re - deem - er art. Our souls Thou
tress - es; He can change them with a breath. Where - fore the



wak - est, Our bonds Thou break - est; Who trusts Thee sure - ly Has built se -
sto - ry Tell of His glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n re -



cure - ly; He stands for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are
joic - es In Him for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! We shout for



pin - ing To see Thy shin - ing, Dy - ing or liv - ing
glad - ness, Tri - umph o'er sad - ness, Love Him and praise Him



To Thee are cleav - ing; Naught can us sev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!
And still shall raise Him Glad hymns for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!

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SERVING OUR LORD TODAY

(Please contact the *office* to sign up for *Children's Messages* or to be an *Usher*)
(Please see *Nancy Peterson* to be a *Reader*)

Pastor	Rev. Bart Loos	Deacon	Paul Lang
Elder	Max Schaller	Children's Message	Jim Alfama
Reader	Don McLaughlin	Audio Video	Justin Alfama
Altar Guild	Sherrie Baca	PowerPoint	Tess Alfama
Acolyte	Dane Kennedy		
Flowers	<i>In honor of Nancy Klomp's Birthday!</i>		

FIRST LUTHERAN STAFF

Pastor	Rev. Bart Loos	Deacon	Paul Lang
Preschool Director	Nancy Durkovic	Admin. Asst	Sophie Killian
Director of Music	Mark McCombs		

REGARDING HOLY COMMUNION

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is a family meal. We invite you to join us in this meal. If you are our guest this morning and have any questions regarding the Lord's Supper, please speak to Pastor Bart Loos or Deacon Paul Lang before the service. As you prepare to receive this family meal, it is helpful to ask yourself these questions:

- Am I a baptized Christian who trusts in Jesus Christ alone for salvation?
- Do I believe that I am a sinner in need of God's forgiveness?
- Do I believe that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine?
- Do I desire to live in the strength of the Holy Spirit and walk in the path of righteousness as revealed by God's holy laws?



ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

September 11, 2022 – September 18, 2022

For details on the church calendar, please visit <http://www.flcmb.org/events>

Sunday 9/11	9:30 am 11:00 am 11:00 am	Sunday Worship Service In-person and live on Facebook Adult Bible Study – Lutheran Foundations Class Pt. 2 Youth Confirmation Pt. 2
Monday 9/12	10:00 am	First Ladies Bible Study
Tuesday 9/13	9:40 am	COL Chapel In-Person and Live on Facebook
Wednesday 9/14		
Thursday 9/15	7:00 pm	Council Meeting
Friday 9/16	2:00 pm	Secret Shop Workshop
Saturday 9/17	3:00 pm	Installation of Pastor Bart & BBQ Dinner
Sunday 9/18	9:30 am 11:00 am 11:00 am	KICK-OFF Sunday Worship Service In-person and live on Facebook Adult Bible Study – Lutheran Foundations Class Pt. 2 Youth Confirmation Pt. 2

<u>September 4</u>		July Totals:		Fiscal Year (Sept-July)	
Offerings	\$6,698	Offerings	\$27,177	Offerings	\$ 292,628
Other	\$155.51	Expenses	\$20,909	Expenses	\$ 252,932
Total	\$6,853.51	Over/(Under)	\$6,268	Over/(Under)	\$ 39,696
		M&M Plan	\$1,528	M&M Plan	\$17,882

Our September Monthly Mission is:

LCMS Life Ministry

Our August Monthly Mission was:

Charity on Wheels

\$765.68

Pray, Praise, and Give Thanks

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (ESV)

Birthdays

12: Elise Hoffman; 14: Kristi Kerr; 14: Nancy Klomp; 16: Ingeborg Aguirre; 16: Tom Nelson

Anniversaries

17: Mike & Maureen Rubin

Please add to your prayers

Ingeborg Aguirre, struggling with declining health + undergoing health concerns
The McCombs Family, at the passing of Cathy Fioretta + Heather Rogers (David & Lynn Jaeger's niece) diagnosed with stage 2 breast cancer + Roger Hennies' mother, Gloria + Russell Lawrence Jr., (friend of Julie Fellows) healing from pain, + John and Nancy Durkovic + Cheryl James + Martha Ozog + Mary Carlson + Karla Burkee + Max Schaller + Myers family at the loss of Jim + Elvia Ocampo + Gabby (Elizabeth's Friend) + Ava, undergoing knee surgery + Rebecca Itow's mother-in-law, Dolores Itow + Norma Iaia's husband and son + The Family of Martha Ozog (COL family)

Homebound members

Pastor John Durkovic, Carolyn Paulsen, Olive Scarcliff, Bonnie Stull, Terry & Denise Hlebasko

Ongoing Prayers

The ministries of First Lutheran Church & Circle of Love Preschool, Pacific Lutheran Junior/Senior High School, the South Bay Community, elected officials, our nation, unemployed and underemployed, Armed Forces, medical professionals, victims of COVID-19 Pandemic/Endemic, victims of natural disasters, and those who are traveling.

Please continue to pray for these cancer patients

Joe Laliberte, Beth Braun, Joan Lewan (Carol Berman's Mother-in-Law), Joe DeMello (friend of the McCombs' family), Michelle (Julie Fellows' friend), Anna Baker's friend Gail Chambers, Elvia Ocampo's family (sister Rosalia and nephew Eddie), Itow family friends (Vincent Ortiz, Melissa Campbell, Dema Tajiri), and Diana (Becca Itow's aunt).

Please continue to pray for those who mourn

Persecuted Christians, the McCombs Family for the passing of Cathy Fioretta, and the families of John Peters, Shirley Gilbert, Ryan McCombs, Carlos, Norma Iaia's brother-in-law, Art Vanick, Joyce Rodgers, David Kerr, Richard Nelson, and Carol Berman's aunt Lisa.

September 11, 2022

Announcements

Please submit all announcements by Monday evening.

Thank you!

KICK-OFF SUNDAY WORSHIP

You are invited to join us next week, September 18th for our Kick-Off Sunday Worship where there will be a blessing of the teachers, staff, and students, their Bibles, backpacks. If you are not a student, please bring a workbag. There will be a couple of fun activities for the kids after service!

REV. BART LOOS INSTILLATION SERVICE

Please join us this Saturday, September 17th at 3:00 pm for Rev. Bart Loos' Instillation Service followed by a BBQ dinner! Please RSVP by emailing the church at flicoffice@first-lutheran.com

ADULT BIBLE STUDY - LUTHERAN FOUNDATIONS CLASS

Join us today after service for Part 2 of Youth Confirmation and Lutheran Foundations Class.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT

It's getting to be Trunk or Treat time! This year's event will be held on Friday, October 28th from 5:00 -7:00 p.m. Please help us prepare for this fun event that provides a great alternative to Trick or Treating for our kids and community. Lots of candy, fun, food, games, and activities will be enjoyed by all. We are currently looking for donations of individually wrapped candies that can be handed out as treats for the children. Bring donations to the church office. We are also looking for helpers and asking for folks to decorate their vehicle's trunk and join us as we make this a very exciting time for the kids! Please contact Jim Alfama if you have any questions or would like to participate. God bless you all!

CALLING ALL SINGERS!

Join us on September 21st at 7:00 – 8:00 pm for our first post covid Cornerstone Choir rehearsal! **New members are welcome!** This is a traditional SATB choir that meets weekly and sings for church several times throughout the year. Our first music offering will be on Sunday, October 30th for our Reformation/Confirmation service. Please contact Mr. Mark if you are interested in joining us!

VOTER'S ASSEMBLY

The next Voter's Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 25th after service at 11:00 am.

SECRET SHOP

Come and join us for Secret Shop Workshop on Fridays from 2:00 - 4:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall as we meet to make the items for Secret Shop