

Welcome to First Lutheran Church

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Fifteenth Sunday in Pentecost

September 1, 2024

Welcome and Announcements *(Please pass the attendance pad along the pew. If you are a visitor, please include your mailing address.)*

Sharing the Peace

Opening Hymn: "All Are Welcome" (ELW641) *(on insert)*

*Confession & Forgiveness

The assembly stands.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

**The cravings at war within us
cause conflicts and disputes.**

**In our desire to be first
we make distinctions among ourselves.**

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need,
and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity
and to remember our sin no more.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ,
the source of eternal healing,

your sins are forgiven.

Amen

***Prayer of the Day:**

O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside, and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

***Gospel Announcement**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 7:24-27

²⁴ “Everyone, then, who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. ²⁵ The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall because it had been founded on rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ²⁷ The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!”

The Gospel of the Lord.

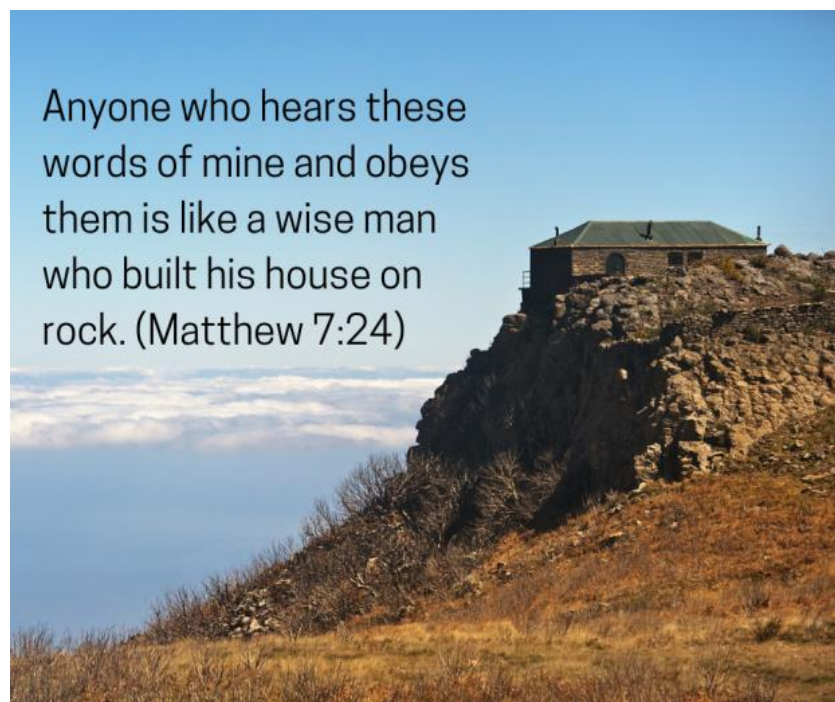
Thanks be to God.

Children’s Message-“The Rains Come Tumbling Down”

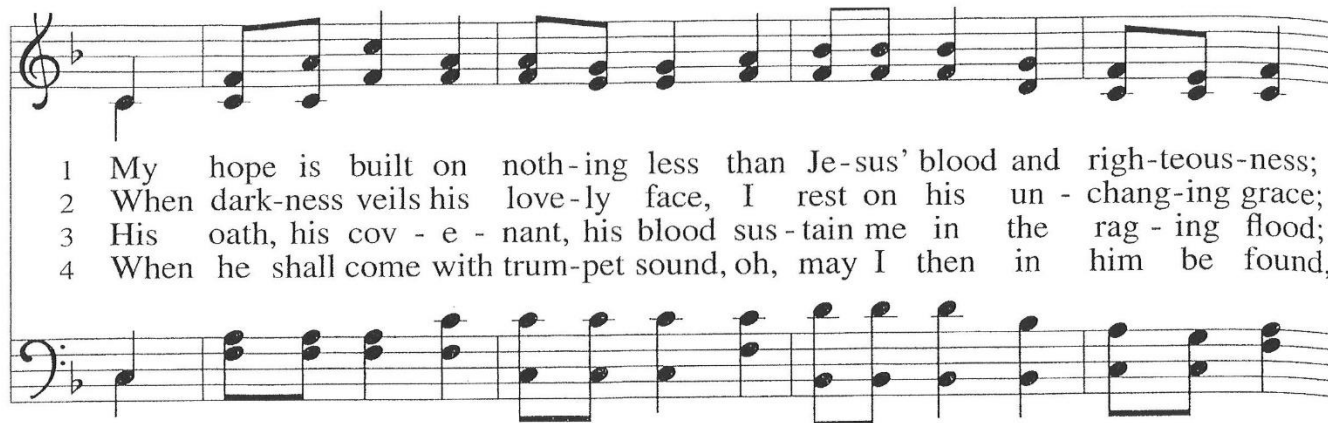
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Sermon- “Foundation

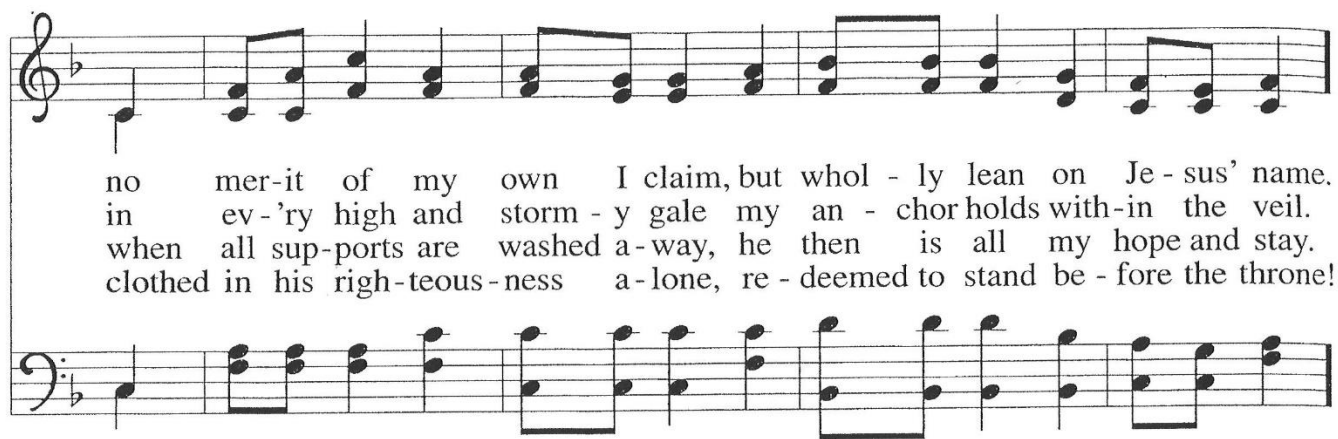
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Song of the Day: "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" (ELW 294)

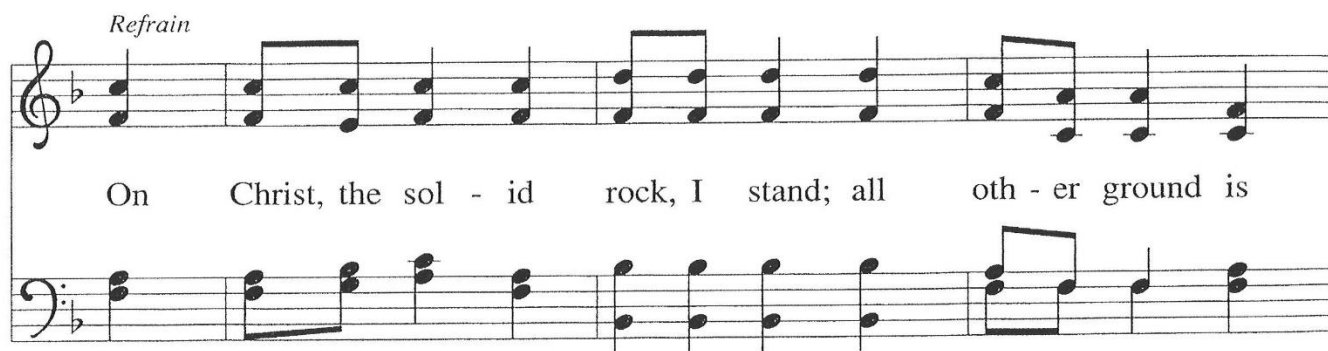


1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and righ-teous-ness;
2 When dark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un - chang-ing grace;
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus - tain me in the rag - ing flood;
4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,

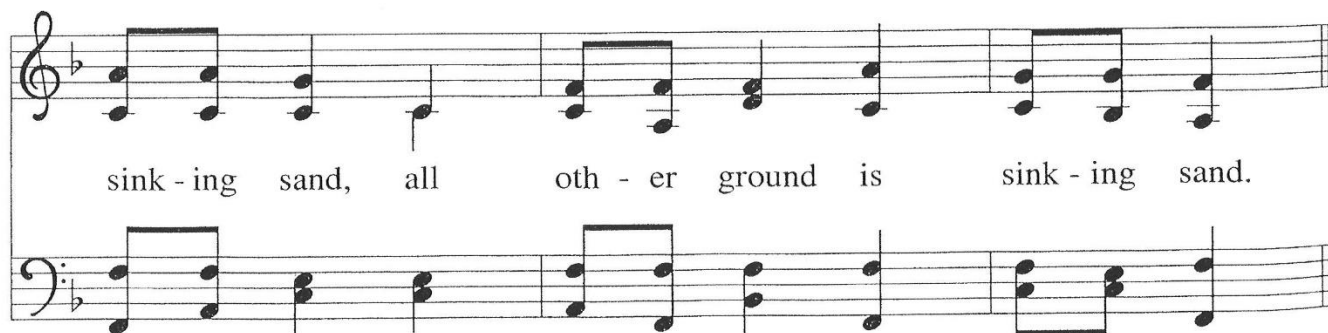


no mer-it of my own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
in ev-'ry high and storm - y gale my an - chor holds with-in the veil.
when all sup-ports are washed a-way, he then is all my hope and stay.
clothed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt.
Music: William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

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***Statement of Faith – The Apostles’ Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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 Intercession:**

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God’s good creation, and all who are in need.
A brief silence.

God of every generation, give the church a sense of purpose and belonging. Sustain and build up leaders and lay people as we accompany one another in our life with Christ. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

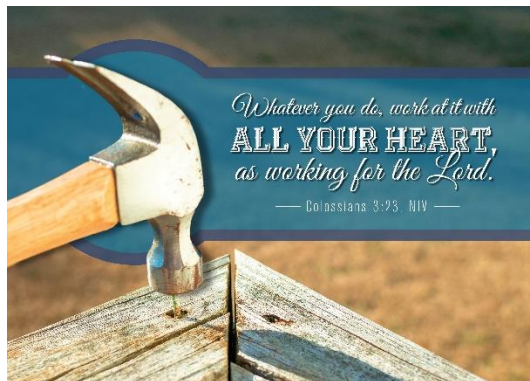
God of creation, you named humans as co-creators with you. Where the earth cries out in pain, bring wholeness. Guide governments and industry, that environmental laws and practices seek to heal and not harm. Bring relief and justice to people and places suffering from climate catastrophe. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Sovereign God, we pray for local communities of every kind: rural and urban; established and new. Lead those in authority to seek the good of all through their words and actions and to mentor others in honest and generous ways. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Healing God, you draw near to all who are hurting. Be with all who desire relief from chronic and acute illness, cancer, and post-traumatic stress disorder. Strengthen health care workers, therapists, and caregivers. Tend to those who are close to our hearts. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

On this Labor Day weekend we remember and give thanks for all who have fought for workers’ rights around the world. Continue to improve working conditions and establish fair wages so that all people may thrive. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.



Offering



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

*Offertory Prayer

Blessed are you, O God,
source of every gift of your creation.
By these gifts and with our lives,
help us to serve one another and all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen

*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;
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 †

All who believe in the death and resurrection as given in this bread and wine are welcome to the table today.

Please follow usher's guidance to come forward to receive communion and then return to your seat.

Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available from the communion server upon request.

You are welcome to this Table of our Lord.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Holy Communion Distribution

***Post Communion Prayer**

**Holy God,
you have welcomed us to this meal
and fed us with dignity at your table.
Send us now to welcome others
and to be at peace with one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

***Blessing:**

God all mighty,
God most merciful
✠ bless you, keep you,
and give you peace.

Amen.

*Sending Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation" (ELW 654)

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
 by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
 Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900
 Music: Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876

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*Dismissal:

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude



Reader:	Kaye Schroeder
Communion Assistants:	
Zoom:	Tyler Hoplin
Sound:	Val Johnson
Ushers:	Paul Pearson & Peter Moeller
Altar Guild:	Jodi Perry & Donna Swenson
Counter:	Owen Johnson
Coffee & Fellowship	Nancy & Owen Johnson, Chairs

The Week Ahead

Sunday, September 1, 2024

Fifteenth Sunday in Pentecost

Worship Service (*in-person & Zoom*)

9:00 AM

Coffee & Fellowship

10:00 AM

Monday, September 2, 2024

Labor Day, Church Office is closed

Wednesday, September 4, 2024

Bible Study

10:00 AM

Thursday, September 5, 2024

Dorcas Circle

9:00 AM

Sunday, September 8, 2024

Sixteenth Sunday in Pentecost

Worship Service (*in-person & Zoom*)

9:00 AM

Coffee & Fellowship

10:00 AM

Announcements

To view **Sunday Services** via Zoom, go to www.zoom.us and select the blue "Join a Meeting" link at the top center of your screen. Sunday worship, 9:00 a.m. – Meeting ID 852-6256-7424 Passcode 680145.

Bulletins can be sponsored for \$25.00 per week. This week's bulletin is sponsored by Anita Cadwell for her family. The sign-up sheet is on the *Called to Serve* bulletin board in the Narthex.

Next Sunday is **God's Work Our Hands**. Please bring gardening gloves and small gardening tools if you wish to help with the grounds.

A new monthly FLCW social event begins on Tuesday, September 17, 2024. On the third Tuesday of each month, all women of First Lutheran are invited to gather at 11:00 AM in the church parking lot. **"OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH"** will then carpool to a different eating establishment each month. Our September outing will be to The Spot -371-, Baxter. Their ad says they have coffee, ice cream, sandwiches, candy toys, bubble waffles, chocolates and soooooo much more.

A set of Rada steak knives was purchased 1st Fall from FLCW. The buyer's name was lost so Irene Gearey has been keeping this order safe. If you ordered a set of steak knives, but did not get them, see Irene.

Last week's **Noisy Offering** raised \$125.53 for the Tiger's Den food Shelf. Thank you to all.

Prayers of Healing, Care and Joy

Those with medical concerns...

Caleb Prushek, great nephew of Jane Orth

Cleone Hoplin

Lars Larson

Clifford, great grandson of Leonard and Jan Nelson

Bonnie Bandy, sister of Shirley Schmidt

Denny Aleckson

Harvey and Marion Kelley

Gordon Greenwald, friend of Cora Hohnstadt

Michaela, fiancée of Penny Siewert's son, Paul

Roz Diogivanni



Those in the service...

SMSgt Bradford, son of Bill & Kaye Schroeder

Captain A.J. Depman, nephew of Bill & Kaye Schroeder

Sgt Christopher Krecklau, son of Mary & Randy Krecklau

E-6 Nathaniel & E-6 Amanda Mitchell, nephew of Mary & Randy Krecklau

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2024

Attendance: 76

Offering:

Aug. 25, 2024 \$1,961.50 Weekly Budget: \$3,132.40

Direct Deposit: \$ 275.00

Total Offerings: \$2,236.50

Year-to-Date (Fiscal year starts September 1)

Giving: \$149,992.30 Expenses: \$135,658.08

Income less Expenses for July:

\$13,357.84 - \$9,882.05 = \$3,475.79

If you would like a visit from pastor or have a pastoral care need, please contact Pastor Hans Anderson at 218-820-2969 or email him at pastorhanspineriver@gmail.com

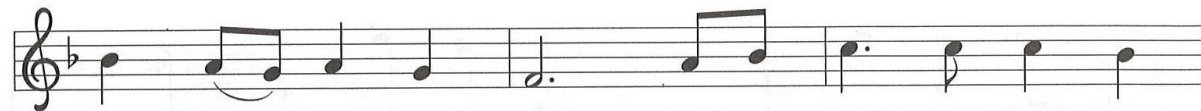
Opening Hymn: "All Are Welcome" (ELW641)



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
 2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
 true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to
 wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
 stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and
 heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in
 strang-er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an
 laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 claim the faith of Je - sus:
 Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
 end to fear and dan - ger:
 claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.



Welcome to Elaine Amelia Rollins! Born on August 22, 2024.
 Shown here with her proud parents Dustin and Danielle and BIG sister Evelyn!
 Congratulations!!!!

OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

On September 17, 2024, our outing will be to the Spot-371-
 We will carpool from the church at 11:00 am

Indoor and outdoor seating

- ~Coffee
- ~Iced coffee's
- ~Ice Cream
- ~Bagel sandwiches
- ~Sandwiches
- ~Bubble Waffles
- ~Smoothies
- ~Malts & Shakes
- ~371 Racers

T H E



SPOT-371-

- ~Fudge
- ~Chocolates
- ~truffles
- ~Candy
- ~Old fashion candy
- ~Toys
- ~Games
- ~Gifts
- ~Apparel

outdoor movies

and more

WOW!

Wednesday After School Program

6-week session beginning

September 25th

at 3:30 PM

at First Lutheran Church

SCHEDULE

3:30 PM Snack, Video, & Game

4:00 PM Craft or Science Project

4:30 PM Story or Drama

5:00 PM Meal

6:00 PM Confirmation

6:00 PM Chosen Video Series

Register online or call

218-587-2316 for more information

\$5 per family

Per week

First through

Sixth Grade

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