

Service of Healing

June 29, 2025

9:00 a.m. – Worship

First Lutheran Church

Pastor Bryan Anderson



Welcome

*Call to Worship

P In you our ancestors put their trust,

C **They trusted and you delivered them. †**

*Opening Song – Here I Am to Worship

*Prayer of the Day (*Unison*)

Merciful Lord, we seek your forgiveness and healing today. Tend to our bodies and souls. Inspire us to be peacemakers and healers to others. Grant us the peace that passes all understanding and make us instruments of your love. In Jesus' name. Amen

*Confession Litany

P Our God is merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

C **We confess we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

P Let us give him our heavy burden of sin and find rest.

C **We confess to squabbling and gossip.**

P We have not been patient and understanding of one another.

C **We have often failed to bring your light.**

P We confess to you our anger that has brought division.

C **Lord you said a divided house will not stand.**

P So we lay all our frustration and pain at your Cross.

C **Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil.**

P As you forgive us so we forgive each other.

C **By your spirit help us to live as your children.**

P By your spirit we forsake sin and carry the cross.

C **Amen.**

*Proclamation of Forgiveness (*Unison*)

Come now, let us settle the matter," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they will be like wool. We are forgiven in Christ!

*Promise of Grace

Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 19:9b-14

Suddenly the Lord spoke to him, "Elijah, what are you doing here?" **10** He answered, "Lord God Almighty, I have always served you - you alone. But the people of Israel have broken their covenant with you, torn down your altars, and killed all your prophets. I am the only one left - and they are trying to kill me!" **11** "Go out and stand before me on top of the mountain," the Lord said to him. Then the Lord passed by and sent a furious wind that split the hills and shattered the rocks - but the Lord was not in the wind. The wind stopped blowing, and then there was an earthquake - but the Lord was not in the earthquake. **12** After the earthquake

there was a fire - but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there was the soft whisper of a voice. **13** When Elijah heard it, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. A voice said to him, "Elijah, what are you doing here?" **14** He answered, "Lord God Almighty, I have always served you - you alone. But the people of Israel have broken their covenant with you, torn down your altars, and killed all your prophets. I am the only one left - and they are trying to kill me."

Hymn of Praise #439 (LBW) – What a Friend We Have in Jesus

***Gospel Reading: Luke 9:51-62**

As the time drew near when Jesus would be taken up to heaven, he made up his mind and set out on his way to Jerusalem. **52** He sent messengers ahead of him, who went into a village in Samaria to get everything ready for him. **53** But the people there would not receive him, because it was clear that he was on his way to Jerusalem. **54** When the disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?" **55** Jesus turned and rebuked them. **56** Then Jesus and his disciples went on to another village. **57** As they went on their way, a man said to Jesus, "I will follow you wherever you go." **58** Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lie down and rest." **59** He said to another man, "Follow me." But that man said, "Sir, first let me go back and bury my father." **60** Jesus answered, "Let the dead bury their own dead. You go and proclaim the Kingdom of God." **61** Someone else said, "I will follow you, sir; but first let me go and say good-bye to my family." **62** Jesus said to him, "Anyone who starts to plow and then keeps looking back is of no use for the Kingdom of God."

Sermon

Song of the Day – I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

***Apostles' Creed**

***Prayers of the Church**

***Lord's Prayer**

Announcements

July 4th Video

Closing Hymn #566 (LBW) – My Country, 'Tis of Thee

Invitation to Healing Prayer

P From St. Luke we read, "When the sun was setting, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of sickness and laying his hands on each one he healed them." And from James, "Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven."

(Those wishing to receive the laying on of hands prayer and anointing may come forward. Others may quietly depart.)



You are invited to use our QR code for online giving.
Offering is also received in the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.

Organist: Brian Wick
Reader: Aaron Johnson
Usher: Richard Selvig
Counters: Becky Schramski & Tim Wyss
Greeters: Larry & Mary Jo Lien
Fellowship Server: Denny Benson
June 22nd Worship Attendance: 9:00 AM – 97

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to all who join in worship today, especially any visitors. Visitors are invited to fill out the visitor slip so we can become better acquainted. Fellowship will follow worship in the hall.

Prayer List: We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love: Amy Bernstein, daughter of Linda Shafer, Pastor Bryan Anderson at the loss of his father, Norman Anderson, Bill McIntire at the loss of his brother, Thomas McIntire, and Dar Jungmann & Brenda Campion at the loss of their husband & father, Jack Jungmann. *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*

Our Daily Bread home devotionals are available to pick up in the entry. We invite you to take one for yourself and share another with a friend.

Orders for church t-shirts and sweatshirts are being taken. Get your gear at a good price and share your form. Orders are taken on the welcome table clipboard or through the office.

NAMEKAGON RIVER TRIP FROM COUNTY HWY K TO WHISPERING PINES – Saturday, July 26th! A sign-up sheet is on the table at the back of the sanctuary or you may call the church office 715-263-2846. **Cut off date to sign up is July 12th.** If you need to rent a kayak, Sports & More in Amery has 10 kayaks for rent (715-268-8685). Following the river trip there will be food, fellowship and games furnished for you at Dennis & Cindy Nelson's cabin. Due to preparations, we would like at least a 25 person turnout.

Shopping cards for Nilssen's, True Value, and Kwik Trip are available every Sunday between services from the Lutheran Men in Mission for Christ. The men receive back a percentage of the sales for mission projects.

THIS WEEK

Today	10:00 AM-Fellowship 11:00 AM-Servant Trip Meeting
Monday	9:00 AM-Rummage Sale Clean-up
Tuesday	9:00 AM-Quilting Pastor's Vacation July 1st-5th
Wednesday	Fellowship & Fun Night 5:30 PM-Supper 6:00 PM-Fellowship & Fun
Friday	Independence Day (Church Office Closed)
Saturday	7:00 AM-Men's Bible Study
Next Sunday	9:00 AM-Summer of Unity Worship with Communion 10:00 AM-Fellowship