

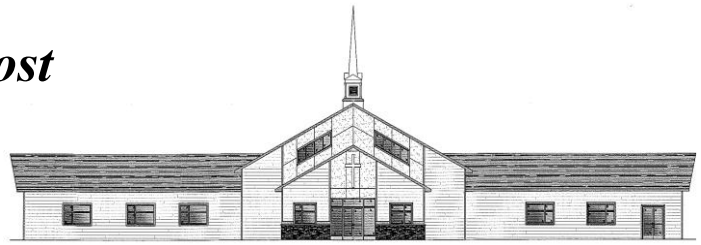
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 9, 2026

10:00 a.m. – Worship

First Lutheran Church

Pastor Bryan Anderson



Welcome

***Call to Worship**

P Come let us bow down and worship.

C Let us kneel before the Lord our maker. †

***Opening Hymn #559 (LBW) – Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing**

***Prayer of the Day**

***Confession of Sin**

P Let us examine ourselves before the Lord.

(Self-examination)

C Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to your mercy, seeking your grace for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

***Promise of Grace**

First Reading: Job 38:4-12

Were you there when I made the world? If you know so much, tell me about it. **5** Who decided how large it would be? Who stretched the measuring line over it? Do you know all the answers? **6** What holds up the pillars that support the earth? Who laid the cornerstone of the world? **7** In the dawn of that day the stars sang together, and the heavenly beings shouted for joy. **8** Who closed the gates to hold back the sea when it burst from the womb of the earth? **9** It was I who covered the sea with clouds and wrapped it in darkness. **10** I marked a boundary for the sea and kept it behind bolted gates. **11** I told it, "So far and no farther! Here your powerful waves must stop." **12** Job, have you ever in all your life commanded a day to dawn?

Second Reading: Romans 10:9-15

If you confess that Jesus is Lord and believe that God raised him from death, you will be saved. **10** For it is by our faith that we are put right with God; it is by our confession that we are saved. **11** The scripture says, "Whoever believes in him will not be disappointed." **12** This includes everyone, because there is no difference between Jews and Gentiles; God is the same Lord of all and richly blesses all who call to him. **13** As the scripture says, "Everyone who calls out to the Lord for help will be saved." **14** But how can they call to him for help if they have not believed? And how can they believe if they have not heard the message? And how can they hear if the message is not proclaimed? **15** And how can the message be proclaimed if the messengers are not sent out? As the scripture says, "How wonderful is the coming of messengers who bring good news!"

Hymn of Praise #328 (LBW) – All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

***Gospel Reading: Matthew 14:22-33**

Then Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side of the lake, while he sent the people away. **23** After sending the people away, he went up a hill by himself to pray. When evening came, Jesus was there alone; **24** and by this time the boat was far out in the lake, tossed about by the waves, because the wind was blowing against it. **25** Between three and six o'clock in the morning Jesus came to the disciples, walking on the water. **26** When they saw him walking on the water, they were terrified. "It's a ghost!" they said, and screamed with fear. **27** Jesus spoke to them at once. "Courage!" he said. "It is I. Don't be afraid!" **28** Then Peter spoke up. "Lord, if it is really you, order me to come out on the water to you." **29** "Come!" answered Jesus. So Peter got out of the boat and started walking on the water to Jesus. **30** But when he noticed the strong wind, he was afraid and started to sink down in the water. "Save me, Lord!" he cried. **31** At once Jesus reached out and grabbed hold of him and said, "What little faith you have! Why did you doubt?" **32** They both got into the boat, and the wind died down. **33** Then the disciples in the boat worshiped Jesus. "Truly you are the Son of God!" they exclaimed.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day #479 (LBW) – My Faith Looks Up to Thee

***Apostles' Creed**

***Prayers of the Church**

***Lord's Prayer**

Announcements

Choral Benediction

Dismissal

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



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Offering is also received in the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.

Organist: Brian Wick
Reader: Patti Wyss
Ushers: Travis Anderson & Ben Kobernick
Greeters: Laura Lieffring and Bert & Sharon Petersen
Counters: Dan Cain & Penny O'Connell
Fellowship Servers: Ben & Gail Kobernick
August 2nd Worship Attendance: 8:30 AM – 42; 10:00 AM – 55

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love: Leann Martinson, Cyndy & Rob Witthoft (sister & brother of Deann Wagner), Kyle Bakkestuen (fiancé of Angela Brandt), and Bob Anderson at the loss of his sister, Elaine Witzel. *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*

My Devotions family devotionals are available to pick up in the entry.

We encourage you to join us for Food, Fellowship, Faith & Fun! A casual supper is served by volunteers every Wednesday starting at 5:30 and followed by your choice of small group conversations, faith study or games. No one is too young and no one is too old; this invitation is for everybody. Let's build up the body of Christ. Invite a friend.

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 11:00 AM-Fellowship
Tuesday 9:00 AM-Quilting
10:00 AM-Staff Meeting
Wednesday **Faith, Fellowship & Fun Night**
5:30 PM-Supper
6:00 PM-Faith, Fellowship & Fun
Saturday 7:00 AM-Men's Bible Study
Next Sunday 8:30 AM-Contemporary Worship with Communion
9:30 AM-Fellowship
10:00 AM-Traditional Worship with Communion
11:00 AM-Fellowship