

14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2025

Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME & GREETING

Pastor The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All And also with you.

CONFESSION

Pastor Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

All we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,

so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

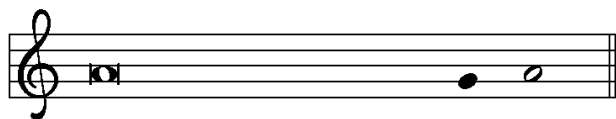
GATHERING SONG

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

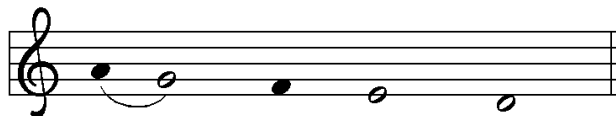
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

KYRIE & GLORIA



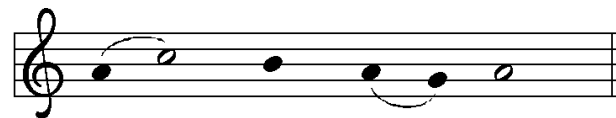
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



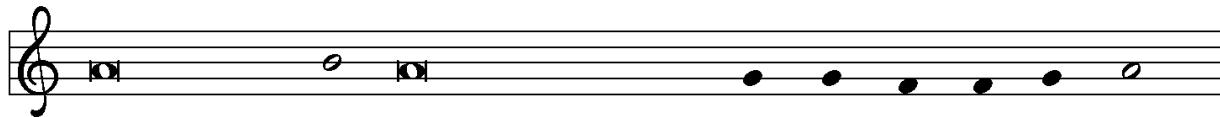
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



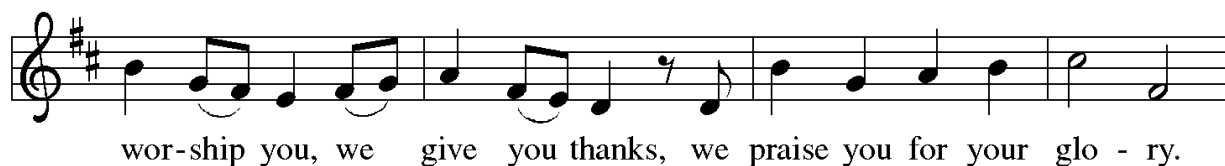
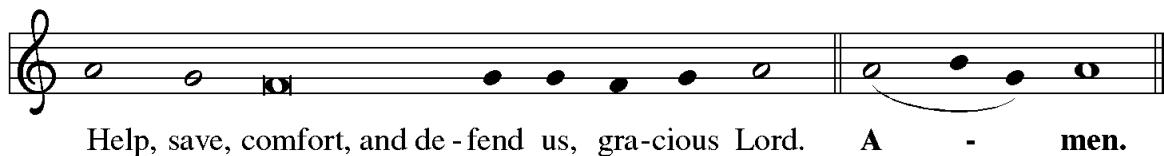
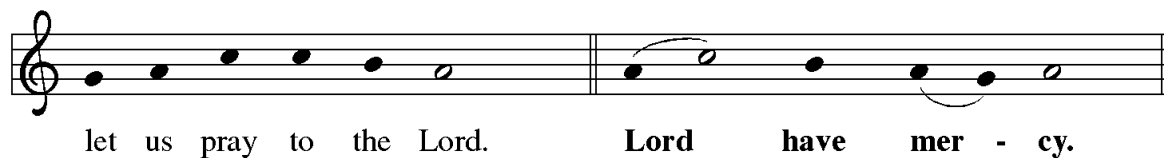
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,





you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Word

FIRST READING: EXODUS 32:7-14

After the reading is finished:

Reader Word of God, Word of Life.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 16:1-13

Reader This morning we hear the good news of Jesus Christ from the Gospel of Luke.

All Glory to you, O God.

After the reading is finished:

Reader This is the good news of Jesus Christ, the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

ELW #779

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Here, we pray together as the body of Christ, each lifting up the thanksgivings and needs of our community. You are invited to speak aloud your prayers in each petition.

Leader God of grace,
All receive our prayer.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor The peace of Christ be with you all.
All And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For more information about what is happening here at First Lutheran, please see the insert Announcements or sign up for our weekly email at rushcityfirstlutheran.org/news

Meal

OFFERING

You can give online by scanning this QR code or you can use the brown envelopes in your pew to make an offering by cash or check.

Please also take this time to fill out the "Count Me In" card in your bulletin and drop it in the offering basket on your way to receive communion.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Detailed description: This block contains four staves of music in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like, using quarter and eighth notes with slurs. The lyrics are printed below each staff.

Pastor It is indeed right...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Detailed description: This block contains four staves of music in G major. The melody continues from the previous section. The lyrics are printed below each staff.

Pastor In the night in which he was betrayed...we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes again:



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

Pastor As we prepare to feast, we pray as Christ taught us:

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;
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.**

COMMUNION

Just as Christ welcomes all people, all people are welcome at Christ's table here at First. We invite you to share communion regardless of your age, race, creed, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, social status, or ability. There are gluten free wafers for those who need them. There is red wine and white grape juice. If you wish to receive a blessing in lieu of grain and grape, let the pastor know when you come forward. She will be happy to give you a blessing. If you need to receive communion in your seat, please tell an usher.

COMMUNION SONGS

Come to the Table

ELW #481

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

ELW #488

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Leader Please stand and let us pray together.

Brief Silence.

O God,

**All through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants.
Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Sending

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

Rise, Shine, You People

ELW #665

DISMISSAL

Leader Go in peace, share the good news!

All Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE