

# August 9, 2020

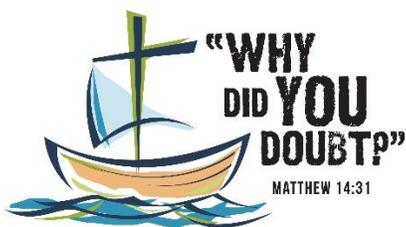
## 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Joint Worship to be the church together.

Voices from all congregations – Hope, Augustana, First Lutheran  
Worship broadcast via radio and YouTube. YouTube links found on:

[www.hopeff.org](http://www.hopeff.org)    [www.augustanalutheran.org](http://www.augustanalutheran.org)

[www.firstlutheranchurchff.org](http://www.firstlutheranchurchff.org)



### RINGING OF THE BELL

### PRELUDE

MEGHAN STRINGER

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

I will bless the Lord at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth. **I will glory in the Lord; let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; **Let us exalt God's name together.**

### GATHERING HYMN

### *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*

ELW #858 vv. 1, 4

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!  
4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!

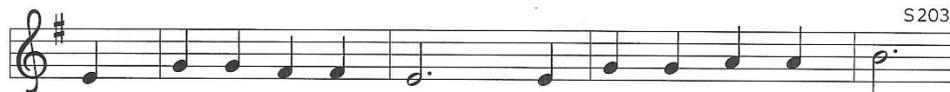
Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,  
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.

join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

## GREETING

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

## KYRIE



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen!**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen!**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another; Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray together.

**O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith our your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen!**

## HYMN

### *“Jesus Loves Me”*

*ELW #595 v. 1*

#### Vs. 1

Jesus loves me! this I know,  
for the Bible tells me so;  
little ones to him belong,  
they are weak, but he is strong.

#### Refrain

Yes, Jesus loves me,  
yes, Jesus loves me,  
yes, Jesus loves me,  
The Bible tells me so.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MARY PETERSON

### READING: Psalm 85:8-13

<sup>8</sup> I will listen to what God the LORD says;  
he promises peace to his people, his faithful servants—  
but let them not turn to folly.

<sup>9</sup> Surely his salvation is near those who fear him,  
that his glory may dwell in our land.

<sup>10</sup> Love and faithfulness meet together;  
righteousness and peace kiss each other.

<sup>11</sup> Faithfulness springs forth from the earth,  
and righteousness looks down from heaven.

<sup>12</sup> The LORD will indeed give what is good,  
and our land will yield its harvest.

<sup>13</sup> Righteousness goes before him  
and prepares the way for his steps.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

## GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>22</sup> Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. <sup>23</sup> After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. <sup>25</sup> Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. <sup>26</sup> When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup> But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." <sup>28</sup> "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup> "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" <sup>31</sup> Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup> And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. <sup>33</sup> Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

REV. DAVID STROM

## HYMN OF THE DAY

### *"Eternal Father Strong to Save"*

ELW #756, V.1,2

1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the  
2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -

rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its  
mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we  
calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
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## APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY

*"Give Thanks"*

### WORSHIP & PRAISE #41

*Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son. Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich, because of what the Lord has done for us. And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us.*

Text and music: Henry Smith

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## COMMUNION

This is the Lord's Table, all are welcome here. In your home is an ordinary table now set apart and holy, Christ is present there. All are welcome to partake in the Lord's Supper, wherever you may be.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks and praise to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God our thanks and praise.** Holy God, throughout the generations you have come to be present with us at our tables, turning ordinary meals into holy moments for us to experience your grace in tangible ways.

In an upper room of a guest house in the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The body of Christ given for you. *(all share in eating the bread)*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The blood of Christ shed for you. *(all sharing in drinking of the cup)*

Together as the body of Christ, trusting that the distance that separates us is bridged by the Holy Spirit who makes us one, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

## COMMUNION HYMN

## *"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"*

ELW #773, v.1



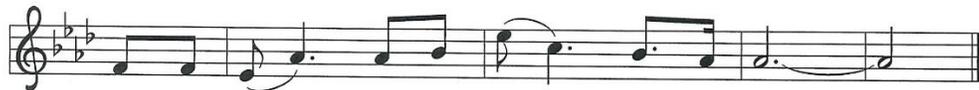
1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand.



I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.



Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.



Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

Text: Thomas A. Dorsey, 1899–1993

Music: George N. Allen, 1812–1877, adapt. Thomas A. Dorsey

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PRECIOUS LORD

Irregular

## 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.**

## BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me o - ver  
3 When at last I near the shore, and the

life's tem - pes - tuous sea; un - known waves be - fore me  
fear - ful break - ers roar twixt me and the peace - ful

roll, hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal; chart and  
rest, then, while lean - ing on thy breast, may I

com - pass come from thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
hear thee say to me: "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

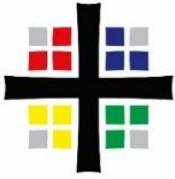
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## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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## FIRST LUTHERAN ANNOUNCEMENTS SUNDAY AUGUST 9, 2020

Church phone number 739-3348 and email [office@flcff.org](mailto:office@flcff.org)

**The radio broadcast** is sponsored by Gary & Susan Clambey, Mark Smith and Paul Smith in honor of Fred Smith's 98<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**Today, Sunday, August 9** at 11:00 a.m. there will be an Outdoor Confirmation Service for 8<sup>th</sup> grade confirmands and their families. This service will be livestreamed to our website [www.firstlutheranchurchff.org](http://www.firstlutheranchurchff.org).

**First Lutheran, Hope & Augustana** will continue to provide worship opportunities with Holy Communion on Sunday mornings. All worship services are closed to the public, but will be live streamed on YouTube and on-air on KJKK AM 1020 or Channel 977 FM97.7 at 9:30 am. Services are also being aired on PEG Access Channel 8, check the schedule for times.

**We will continue to hold online worship.** The Smart Team is working on a plan regarding return to worship and other church activities. We will provide updates as they are available.

**The church building** is open from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and the office will be staffed during these times, as we are able. Church and public meetings can be held, with the following guidelines: groups of 10 or less, being aware of physical distancing, masks required, sanitization of the room after the meeting.

**If you have a pastoral care emergency,** you can contact Pastor Gretchen at 218-321-0995. Please continue to call (leave a message) and email with questions or concerns. Phone: 218-739-3348, Email: [office@flcff.org](mailto:office@flcff.org), or check our website [firstlutheranchurchff.org](http://firstlutheranchurchff.org) for updates.

**A Women's Bible Study** is being planned for this Fall! We are looking at a socially distanced meeting at the church on either Monday at 6:00 p.m. or Wednesday at 7:00 a.m. The study would be on a book from the New Testament, and led by Pastor Gretchen. If you are interested, please contact the office (739-3348 or [office@flcff.org](mailto:office@flcff.org)) and indicate your time preference. We will be in touch when plans are finalized.

**We appreciate your on-going support of the ministry** of First Lutheran Church. Your gifts may be mailed to the church at 402 South Court Street, or you can visit the website [firstlutheranchurchff.org](http://firstlutheranchurchff.org) and click donate on the upper right corner and set up your donation plan. Any questions, please call the office 739-3348.

**Our NWMN Synodical Women's Organization** continues their work for women's programs, conferences, LWR updates, etc. during this time of the Coronavirus. Because we are not meeting, our offerings are not collected. Please prayerfully consider making a financial donation to First Lutheran WELCA. Funds will be divided between our local WELCA, Conference 7 and the Synod. Your check should be made out to First Lutheran WELCA, and mailed to the church (402 South Court Street). Thank you.

**Meals by Wheels** will be delivered by First Lutheran the week of September 8-11 (no delivery on September 7). Sign-up by contacting Jennifer at (call or text) 701 238-0276 or email to [77jennifer@msn.com](mailto:77jennifer@msn.com). This service in our community is needed now more than ever with many seniors and those with underlying health conditions taking extra precautions to avoid exposure. Thank you!!

### COMING UP THIS WEEK:

- Monday, August 10 at 12:00 pm – Executive Committee *via Zoom*
- Monday, August 10 at 3:30 pm – Mutual Ministry *Narthex*
- Tuesday, August 11 at 6:00 pm – Church Council *via Zoom*

### SAVE THE DATE:

- Sunday, August 16 at 11:00 a.m. Outdoor First Communion service for students and their families. This service will be videotaped and posted to the church website.
- Sunday, August 23 at 11:00 a.m. Outdoor Confirmation Service for 9<sup>th</sup> grade confirmands and their families. This service will be livestreamed to our church website [www.firstlutheranchurchff.org](http://www.firstlutheranchurchff.org).

**Financial Update:** As of August 3, 2020, year-to-date revenue: \$289,382, year-to-date budget \$313,810.