

Our Tree of Life



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ELW SETTING FOUR



9:00 am

August 6, 2023

PREPARATION

Prelude

Bells

Welcome & Announcements

GATHERING

Greeting & Passing of the Peace

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

Confession and Forgiveness P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. **C: Amen.**

P: Merciful God, **C: we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

P: Righteous God, **C: we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

P: God is a cup of cold water...in the name of † Jesus Christ. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: *'All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly'* #461

1. All who hunger gather gladly; holy manna is our bread. Come from wilderness and wand'ring. Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

2. All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest. Come from restlessness and roaming. Here in joy we keep the feast. We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

3. All who hunger, sing together, Jesus Christ is living bread. Come from loneliness and longing. Here in peace we have been fed. Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

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

Hymn of Praise pg. 149

'This is the Feast'

1 This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

2 Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Words: Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9, Composed by Richard Hillert, ©2006 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Augsburg Fortress.

Prayer of the Day: P: Glorious God, **C: your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 55:1-5

OT pg. 531

Psalms 145:8-9, 14-21

ELW Psalm 145

L: ⁸The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

C: ⁹LORD, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works.

L: ¹⁴The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

C: ¹⁵The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.

L: ¹⁶You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

C: ¹⁷You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.

L: ¹⁸You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

C: ¹⁹You fulfill the desire of those who fear you; you hear their cry and save them.

L: ²⁰ You watch over all those who love you, but all the wicked you shall destroy.

C: ²¹ My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.

Children's Message

Pastor Denise Fossen

Special Music

Piano Solo

Kathy Haukos

Gospel Acclamation *'Alleluia. Lord to whom.....'* pg. 151

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

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Holy Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

NT pg. 12

P: The Holy Gospel according to... **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Denise Fossen

Hymn of the Day *'Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service'* vs. 1, 3, 4 #712

1. Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed: we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart; consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.

3. As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight, making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear, stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

4. Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go, to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show; hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid and peace we give, that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901-1984. Text © 1961 Oxford University Press.
Music: The Sacred Harp, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. Selected Hymns, 1985 © 1985 Augsburg Fortress.

Apostle's Creed

p. 105

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 for the People of God

P: ... Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn 'Lord of Light' vs. 1, 2, 4 #688

1. Lord of light, your name outshining all the stars and suns of space, use our talents in your kingdom as the servants of your grace; use us to fulfill your purpose in the gift of Christ your Son:

(Refrain): Father, as in highest heaven, so on earth your will be done.

2. By the toil of faithful workers in some far outlying field, by the courage where the radiance of the cross is still revealed, by the victories of meekness, through reproach and suffering won: (Refrain)

4. By the prayers of faithful watchers, never silent day or night; by the cross of Jesus, bringing peace to all and healing light; by the love that passes knowledge, making all your children one: (Refrain)

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Offertory Prayer

C: Amen.

SHARING THE MEAL

The Great Thanksgiving (spoken)

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P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

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

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

'Holy, Holy, Holy'

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Holy, holy, holy Lord. Lord God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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Words of Institution

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.

Invitation to Communion

Distribution Hymn:

'Lamb of God'

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Distribution Hymn:

'Come, Let us Eat'

#491

- 1. Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread, our Lord's body let us take together.**
- 2. Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured, Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.**
- 3. In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest in the presence of our Lord we gather.**
- 4. Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word, Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.**

Text: Billema Kwillia, b. c. 1925, sts. 1-3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.; tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1-3, alt.
Text sts. 1-3 © Lutheran World Federation. Text st. 4 © 1972 Contemporary Worship 4: Hymns for Baptism and Holy Communion, admin. Augsburg Fortress. Music: Billema Kwillia, adapt.

Distribution Hymn:

'You Satisfy The Hungry Heart'

#484

(Refrain): You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat. Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

- 1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice; so when you call your fam'ly, Lord, we follow and rejoice. (Refrain)**
- 2. With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude that you should count us worthy, Lord, to share this heav'nly food. (Refrain)**
- 3. Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ outpoured? Do not one cup, one loaf, declare our oneness in the Lord? (Refrain)**
- 4. The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, no mortal tongue can tell: whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell. (Refrain)**

5. You give yourself to us, O Lord; then selfless let us be, to serve each other in your name in truth and charity. (Refrain)

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997. Music: Robert E. Kreutz, 1922-1996. Text and music © 1977 Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

Eucharistic Blessing
Post Communion Prayer

SENDING

Benediction

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **C: Amen.**

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest. **C: We Will! Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn *'Lift High the Cross'* #660

(Refrain): **Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.**

1. Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod, our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. (Refrain)

2. All newborn servants of the Crucified bear on their brows the seal of him who died. (Refrain)

3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. (Refrain)

4. So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory! (Refrain)

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Bells, Postlude

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Revelations 22- Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³Nothing accursed will be found there anymore. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.


If you have pastoral needs, please call Pastor Denise anytime at 763-516-2026.

Welcome to all visitors and guests! May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle. Please join us downstairs following worship for coffee and fellowship.

KDIO Radio Broadcast is sponsored in memory of Larry Haukos from Kathy Haukos and family. [Radio broadcast cards are available on the information kiosk in the narthex; cost is \$100/week].


Happy Birthday Wishes go out to Marianne Morrill whose birthday is this Wednesday.

OFFERING UPDATE: Here are the expenses for July: \$17,983.03. Here is what we received: \$17,283.32. We deficit spent \$699.71. You're also encouraged to visit our webpage for Online Giving at www.firstenglish.net. 

We are looking for volunteers to prepare and serve coffee on Sundays going forward. Please contact the office if you are willing to help. If no one volunteers we may not be able to have coffee fellowship after our services. 

We are seeking to fill the FELC Youth Leader position. It will start at approx. 20-hours per week during school year, less in the summer. Limited evenings and weekend hours for youth ministry activities and chaperoning youth events and trips. There is potential for future growth in hours with program growth. If you, or someone you know is interested, please drop off resume and references at the church office or e-mail them to the pastor at pastor@firstenglish.net.

Stonecroft Ministries Women's Connection will be meeting on Tuesday, July 18th at 5:30 pm at Tabor Methodist Church in Big Stone City, SD. Speaker will be Bonnie Neisess of Milford, IA. Her topic is "Treasures: Past, Present, and Future." Special feature will be Kathleen Marihart of Ortonville (Smallest Art Gallery & Studio). Special music will be provided by Paul Hamann (pianist & vocalist). The cost is \$6.00, and you can register with Carol Rabe at 605-862-8570 or just be a walk-in. Free nursery by reservation.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT for Ricky Anderson Jr., Carol Barrett; Glenn Berdan; Arlen LaCombe; Gail Olson; Harris Selvig; Brandi Tweeter; Paul Erdman; Beckett Foster; Baby Rosie Frank; Larry Helgeson; Natalie Henneberg; Baby McCoy Jipson; Zane Kilde; Brian Pribyl; Janice Redfield; David Scholberg; Jerry Stotesbery; and Terry Ward. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Janet Anderson; Arvilla Bergseth; Ruth Hansen; Jim Hipple; Vivian Janssen; & Eleanor Nickolauson. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict. If you would like a name added/removed, please contact the church office. 

REMINDER: Calendar and other important information is on our website at www.firstenglish.net and on the bulletin board (kiosk) in the narthex. The church office number is (320)839-2527.

This Week's Ministry Assistants— August 6th

Organist: Kathy Haukos

Lector: Jim Schmeichel

Tech Desk: Liz Ketz & Marina Thomson

Acolytes: Eliot & Brandon

Lay Assistants: Becky Parker & Lori Larson

FWV: Barb & Warren Wiese

Ushers: Brent Zahrbock, Dean Strand, Vern Nickolauson, & Dave Ellingson

Greeters: Liz Ketz & Becky Parker

Next Week's Ministry Assistants— August 13th

Organist: Carol Ydstie

FWV: Marge Dragseth & Brent Zahrbock

Tech Desk: Matt Karels & Marina Thomson

Acolytes: Justice & Bryson

Lay Assistants: Dave Ellingson & Brent Zahrbock

Lector: Marilyn Hanson

Ushers: Liz Ketz, Eldon Knutson, Darin Ehrenberg, & Harley Helgeson

Greeters: Glenn & Deb Henningson

Coffee Servers: Schmeichel & Weber

Weekly Calendar

Sun – 8/6 9:00 am Worship – Communion – KDIO & FB Live

10:30 am Fairway View Worship LIVE

Mon – 8/7 10:00 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm Council Meeting

Tues – 8/8 8:30 am Day of Love

4:00 pm Pastor Denise at Donnie's Diner at Fairway View

Wed – 8/9 9:30 am Channel 3 broadcast

4:00 pm Hymn Sing at Fairway View

5:30 pm Channel 3 broadcast

Fri – 8/11 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sun – 8/13 9:00 am Worship – Communion – KDIO & FB Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship

10:30 am Fairway View Worship Pre-recorded





August 6, 2023, Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Matthew 14:13-21

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Nourishing God, you feed us on the riches of your kingdom, then invite us to feed others in kind. Spread the impulse of your generosity far and wide, that this world may see a revival of your original vision for creation. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. (Matthew 14:19-20)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Crowds throng in ever increasing numbers to see, hear and experience the great teacher/healer. But Jesus resists the impulse to keep the spotlight on himself. If anyone would follow him, they must learn the strength of their own faith, love, and generosity.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

Who are the miracle workers in your community? How are they recognized? What is God's role in the working of modern miracles?

How much authority has God given you that you are reluctant to claim? What might you accomplish if you accept responsibility for the gifts God has given you?

For the littles: What would you serve for dinner if you had guests coming? God is happy when all God's children are fed.



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God fill your belly with food and your heart with love. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Do one thing this week that honors the gifts God has given you that you have been reluctant to claim or use.



Go Deeper: Read and reflect on the readings for each day of the week.

Monday, Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Genesis 31:22-42; Romans 1:8-15

Tuesday, Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Genesis 32:3-21; Acts 2:37-47

Wednesday, Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Isaiah 43:1-7; Matthew 15:32-39

Thursday, Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b; Gen. 35:22b-29; Acts 17:10-15

Friday, Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b; Genesis 36:1-8; Acts 18:24-28

Saturday, Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b; Gen. 37:5-11; Matthew 16:1-4