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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2024

SERVICE OF THE WORD

9:00 am

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 *All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Gracious God, **C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God promises to forgive ...your sins are forgiven. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Hymn 'Gather Us In' vs. 1, 2 & 4 #532

Greeting pg. 213

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 'Glory to God in the Highest' pg. 213

Prayer of the Day

P: Generous God, **C: your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

First Lesson: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

OT pg. 100

Psalm 19:7-14

ELW Psalm 19

L: ⁷ The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

C: ⁸ **The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

L: ⁹ The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

C: ¹⁰ **More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

L: ¹¹ By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

C: ¹² **Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

L: ¹³ Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

C: ¹⁴ **Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

Second Lesson: James 5:13-20

NT pg. 181

Children's Message

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Noisy Offering

Special Hymn

'Prayer For Shalom'

Senior Choir

Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia. Lord to whom.....'

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Holy Gospel: Mark 9:38-50

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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 Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Apostle's Creed

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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.

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn 'Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun' vs. 1-4 #557

1. **Awake, my soul, and with the sun thy daily stage of duty run; shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise to pay thy morning sacrifice.**

2. **All praise to thee, who safe hast kept and hast refreshed me while I slept. Grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake, I may of endless light partake.**

3. **Lord, I my vows to thee renew. Disperse my sins as morning dew; guard my first springs of thought and will; and with thyself my spirit fill.**

4. **Direct, control, suggest, this day, all I design or do or say, that all my pow'rs, with all their might, in thy sole glory may unite.**

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt. Music: François H. Barthélémon, 1741–1808.

Offertory Prayer

C: Amen.

Prayers for the People of God

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

Thanksgiving for the Word Prayer

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Lord's Prayer

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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.

SENDING

Blessing

P: God all mighty, God most merciful ✠ bless you, keep you, and give you peace. **C: Amen.**

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C: We will! Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

'There is a Balm in Gilead'

#614

(Refrain): There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole; there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

1. Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain, but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. (Refrain)

2. If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul, you can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all." (Refrain)

3. Don't ever be discouraged, for Jesus is your friend; and if you lack for knowledge he'll ne'er refuse to lend. (Refrain)

Text based on Jeremiah 8:22. Text & Music: African American spiritual.

Bells

Postlude

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1 Corinthians 13:13 (MSG) But for right now, until that completeness, we have three things to do to lead us toward that consummation: Trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love.

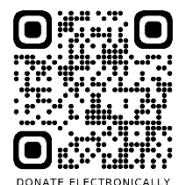
Welcome to all visitors and guests! May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle.

KDIO Radio Broadcast is sponsored in memory of Karl Backstrand by Arlene Gustafson and your gifts to the Endowment Fund. [2024 & 2025 Radio broadcast cards are available on the information kiosk in the narthex; cost is \$100/week].

OFFERING UPDATE: Here are the expenses for August: \$14,826.45.



Here is what we received: \$23,242.71. You're also encouraged to visit our webpage for Online Giving at www.firstenglish.net or scan the QR Code from the



offering cards or bulletins.

September's pink envelope emphasis is for the Endowment Fund. When we don't have a KDIO sponsor, this fund helps us to pay for our broadcast ministry. You can find special pink envelopes for designated giving in a basket in the Narthex.

Birthday wishes go out to Gene Stotesbery whose birthday is this Saturday October 5th and belated birthday wishes to JoAnn Hasslen whose birthday was the 25th of September.

We're looking for volunteers to sit in our 7th-8th grade confirmation classes this year. If you would like to help please sign up for a Wednesday afternoon on the sheet in the hallway between the youth director and secretary offices. Non-parents welcome!

Someplace Safe is having their Chili & Soup Fundraiser on October 16th.

They will be serving tasty chili and delicious baked potato soup at the Ortonville Community Center on Oct. 16th from 11am-1pm. Dine-in & Take-Out are available.

CentraCare Hospice is looking for Hospice volunteers. The fall training is at Rice Memorial Hospital on October 8th, and 10th. For questions or more information contact Deb Van Buren at (320) 231-4450.

There are many of you that have such wonderful gifts in our congregation and should highly consider sharing these with our youth in our Sunday School program. Sunday school teachers can influence and impact many lives with foundational teaching and grounding children in God's word. We are always looking for people to fill these roles in ANY capacity (twice a month, only a certain age groups, etc.) so PLEASE consider and let Sara Wollschlager know if you are interested. (Materials & lessons are prepped and supplied for you weekly.)

Laura Thomas, Director of Aging Well with Prairie 5, will be speaking on / about Dementia Friends at Zion Lutheran in Appleton on October 15th. There is a 9:30 am registration, 10:00 am program. The cost is \$10, please join us for coffee and treats & enjoy the program. Early registration is requested for number count to Bernice Oellien (507) 829-0676 *Sponsored by Lac Qui Parle Women of the ELCA.*

The picture directories are ready and can be picked up in the church office during the week. Each family photographed in the directory will be given one free directory. Members who were not photographed in the 2024 edition may purchase a directory for \$5. Thank you for your cooperation!

Coffee Fellowship needs volunteers to continue. Please contact the office or sign-up in the fellowship hall if you're willing to help to prepare & serve coffee. If no one volunteers to serve, we won't have coffee fellowship that Sunday.



Stonecroft Ministries Women's Connection will be meeting on Tuesday, October 15th at 5:30 pm at Big Stone Tabor Methodist Church. The speaker will be Marla Reynolds of Baltic, SD on the topic, "Embracing the sunshine after the storm." Special feature will be Melanie Reimers of Milbank, SD (Sierra Leone Eye Clinic, Central Global Vision Fund). Special music will be Trudy Hartman (Soloist). The cost is \$6.00, and you can register with Paula Reisdorph at 320-760-9583 or just be a walk-in. Free nursery by reservation.

Next week there is a Mentor-Mentee meeting after church in the youth room.

GRANDPARENT & GRANDCHILD RETREAT November 2-3, 2024 at Shores of St. Andrew The Village. Join Green Lake Lutheran Ministries for a fun-filled retreat meant just for grandparents and grandchildren! This one night retreat will offer you a unique chance to spend time doing camp activities, while also learning more about your faith together! With intergenerational Bible studies, worship, activities, and more, this is your chance to spend intentional time together while playing in God's creation! Register before the deadline - Tue, Oct 23! Visit gllm.org for more information and to register today!

This week is the Noisy Offering and we thought we would remind you where this money goes. We support 4 South African Students through our congregation. The Youth Group sponsors one student and the remaining 3 are sponsored by the Noisy Offering. Each student's tuition is \$300 a year. Your generosity helps us meet these obligations.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT Carol Barrett; Jane Debner; Arlen LaCombe; Gail Olson; Harris Selvig; Beth Swanson; Brandi Tweeter; Monty Athey, Paul Erdman; Rosie Frank; Larry Helgeson; Natalie Henneberg; McCoy Jipson; Janice Redfield; David Scholberg; and Jerry Stotesbery. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Janet Anderson; Ricky Anderson; Arvilla Bergseth; Adeline Burgess; Ruth Hansen; Jim Hipple; Vivian Janssen; Roger Nornes; and Mary Lou Olson in Madison. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict. If you would like a name added/removed, please contact the church office.



Pastor Cheryl plans to be in the FELC Pastor office on Wednesdays 11 - 6:30 (unless in a meeting or confirmation classes) & Thursdays 10 – 3 pm (unless up at FWV with members) or by appt. You can contact her anytime via text (605-237-1501) or email her at CMQRondeau@outlook.com.

REMINDER: Calendar and other important information is on our website, www.firstenglish.net & our bulletin boards. The church office number is (320) 839-2527.

This Week's Ministry Assistants—September 29th

Organist: Marilyn Hanson **Acolytes:** Jace & Brandon
Coffee Servers: Ranet Schmeichel & Nancy Nolop **Lector:** Kathy Randall
Tech Desk: David Ellingson & Marina Thomson
Greeters: Dave & Debbie Ellingson **FWV:** Kristi & Darin Ehrenberg
Ushers: Mel & Jackie Domine and Scott & Julie Schneider

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—October 6th

Organist: Amy Adelman

Coffee Servers: NEED VOLUNTEERS

Tech Desk: Liz Ketz & Marina Thomson

Acolytes: Dawson & Bryson

Greeters: Ethel & Garry Swenson

Lector: Sara Mattison

Lay Assistants: Brent Zahrbock & Becky Parker

FWV: Barb & Warren Wiese and Archer Dorry

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

Weekly Calendar

Sun – 9/29 9:00 am Worship (w/Pastor Cheryl Leading) – Noisy Offering
– Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship

Sunday School Scavenger Hunt at Wildlife Refuge

10:15 am WAM Meeting

10:30 am Fairway View Worship (pre-recorded)



4:00 – 5:15 pm Christmas Cantata Practice

Tues – 10/1 8:30 am Day of Love

4-5:00 pm Bible Study at Donnie's Diner (Fairway View)

Wed – 10/2 9:00 am Circle 4 Bible Study

9:30 am Channel 3 broadcast

11:00 am Staff Meeting

3:30 pm 7-8th Grade Confirmation

4:30 pm 9th Grade Confirmation

5:30 pm Channel 3 broadcast & Youth Group (7-12th grade)

7:00 pm Senior Choir

Fri – 10/4 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sun – 10/6 9:00 am Worship (w/Rev. Melissa Gall) – Clara Haukos

Baptism by Pastor Dave – Communion

– Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship, Sunday School,
& Endowment Mtg

10:15 am Mentor-Mentee Meeting (7-9th gr. In Youth Room)

10:15 am Board of Christian Education Meeting (in library)

10:30 am Fairway View Worship (pre-recorded)

4:00 – 5:15 pm Christmas Cantata Practice

