



First English Lutheran Church

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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost – Joint Worship

August 3, 2025

ELW SETTING FOUR



9:00 am

PREPARATION

Prelude, Bells

Welcome & Announcements

Peace

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

GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Merciful God,

C: you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

P: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of ☩ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn

'A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing'

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Greeting

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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.**

Kyrie

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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 mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen**

Hymn of Praise

'This is the Feast'

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Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray..., **C: Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

First Lesson: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

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L: Word of God, Word of Life **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 49:1-12

ELW Psalm 49

L: ¹ Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

C: ² you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.

L: ³ My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

C: ⁴ I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.

L: ⁵ Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

C: ⁶ the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess, and boast of their great riches?

L: ⁷ One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;

C: ⁸ for the ransom of a life is so great that there would never be enough to pay it,

L: ⁹ in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.

C: ¹⁰ For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish and leave their wealth to those who come after them.

L: ¹¹ Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation, though they had named lands after themselves.

C: ¹² Even though honored, they cannot live forever; they are like the beasts that perish.

L: Word of God, Word of Life **C: Thanks be to God.**

Special Music

'The Lord's Prayer'

Kathy Haukos

Children's Message

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Gospel Acclamation

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

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

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Holy Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

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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

Sermon Song

'My Hope is Built on Nothing Less'

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1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; no merit of my own I claim, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

(Refrain): On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

2. When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; in ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil. (Refrain)

3. His oath, his covenant, his blood sustain me in the raging flood; when all supports are washed away, he then is all my hope and stay. (Refrain)

4. When he shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in him be found, clothed in his righteousness alone, redeemed to stand before the throne! (Refrain)

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt. Music: William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868.

NICENE CREED

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C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

P: God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn *'Take My Life, That I May Be'* #685

1. Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2. Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love; take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

3. Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King; take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.

4. Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold; take my intellect and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shall choose.

5. Take my will and make it thine, it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own, it shall be thy royal throne.

6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt. Music: William H. Havergal, 1793-1870.

Offertory Prayer

P: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **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.

Preface P: It is indeed right... join their unending hymn:

'Holy, Holy, Holy'

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Words of Institution

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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.

Invitation to Communion

P: The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

Distribution Hymn: 'Lamb of God' pg. 154

Distribution Hymn: 'Break Now the Bread of Life' #515

1. Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you broke the loaves beside the sea. Beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord; my spirit waits for you, O living Word.

2. Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you blessed the bread by Galilee. Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All-in-All!

3. You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your holy word the truth that rescues me. Give me to eat and live with you above; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841-1913, alt., Music: Bread of Life, William F. Sherwin, 1826-1888.

Distribution Hymn 'We Come to the Hungry Feast' #479

Distribution Hymn: 'All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly' #461

Eucharistic Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

P: Gracious God, **C: you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.**

SENDING

Commission & Benediction: (*Inspired by John 17: 21-23*)

P: Happy are they who know where the real treasure is to be found.

C: Happy are they who take from the treasure and share it.

P: Friends of God, prepare to leave with spirits lighter than when you came in; Trusting Christ to take an intimate interest in the costly investment he has made.

Invest in others as his love has invested in you; rejoicing in the fellowship of his Spirit.

The blessing of the eternal God be upon you with redeeming grace, enfolding love, enduring fellowship. And may the love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ☩ bless you and give you peace, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Dismissal

L: Go in peace... Live by the Spirit **C: We will! Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn 'Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer #618

1. Guide me ever, great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

2. Open now the crystal fountain where the healing waters flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer, shield me with your mighty arm, shield me with your mighty arm.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs and praises, songs and praises, I will raise forevermore, I will raise forevermore.

Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722-1796, alt. Music: John Hughes, 1873-1932.

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.

Pastor Cheryl's Summer Hours: Mondays (FELC Pastor Office 9 am to 3 pm), Tuesdays (Zion Lutheran 11 am to 5 pm), Wednesdays (FELC Pastor Office 11 am to 5 pm, & Thursdays (FELC Pastor Office 9 am – 3 pm), or by appointment. Contact her anytime via text (605-237-1501) or email at CMQRondeau@outlook.com.

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 Larry Haukos from Kathy Haukos & family. [2025 Radio broadcast cards are available in the narthex; cost is \$100/week].

OFFERING UPDATE: You're encouraged to visit our webpage for Online Giving at www.firstenglish.net or scan the QR Code from the offering cards or bulletins.



	<u>July 2025</u>	<u>Year-to-Date 2025</u>
Offerings/Gifts:	\$15,791.84	\$121,924.05
Zion Receivable:	\$3,192.06	\$19,583.68
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Total Revenue:	\$18,983.90	\$141,507.73
Expenses:	\$17,416.03	\$135,520.66
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Balance:	\$1,567.87	\$5,987.07



August's pink envelope emphasis is for our Baptism Chests. You can find special pink envelopes for designated giving in the Narthex.

We inadvertently missed last week's KDIO sponsorship from Pastor Cheryl in memory of Joe Rondeau who's 10th heavenly birthday will be August 8th.

Pastor Cheryl's installation to our churches will be during our services on Sept. 28th.

Zion Lutheran Church invites you to their Pie & Ice Cream Social this afternoon from 4:00-7:00 pm. The menu includes Bar-B-Que, Hot Dogs, Chips, Homemade Pie, Ice Cream, Pop & Coffee. 100% of proceeds to go to Big Stone Lake Area Food Shelf & Trojan Take Out.



If you turned in a confirmation project, please pick it up from the pickup room.

The council meeting will now be on August 13th, not the 6th.

Greenwood Cemetery is looking for donations. The roads need to be redone, and the expense is above & beyond their current budget. Any donation would be greatly appreciated. You can mail your donation to Greenwood Cemetery, PO Box 41, Big Stone City, SD 57216. If you have any questions, contact Rick Barnhardt at (605) 880-0407.

If you would like giving envelopes for the new year and signed up or came into the office within the last year to get them, then you will be on the list for next year. But if you have not signed up or asked for envelopes within the past year and would like some for 2026, please contact someone in the office to request them.

We are looking for a 20 hr. a week youth director. You can learn more on our website (under about FELC -> church updates) or our Facebook page (it's pinned). Even if this position is not right for you, please share this opening with anyone who might be interested or who might know someone who might be interested.

Recognition of New Members Sunday will be October 5th. If you're interested in becoming a member reach out to Pastor Cheryl, someone on the Evangelism Committee, or grab a household record from the Narthex & turn it into the office.

The newest edition of The Lutheran Digest came so we have copies of this available in the Narthex for you to take home with you for your reading. There are also copies of God's Word and Word in Season that have daily devotionals for you to take home, too. Please feel free to grab copies of any of these.

Stonecroft Ministries Women's Connection will be meeting on Tues., Aug. 19th at 5:30 pm at Big Stone Tabor Methodist Church. The speaker will be Patricia Bishop of Sioux Falls on the topic, "Who am I, Why am I Here." The special feature will be John Thomas of Ortonville and Remi, a therapy dog. John will give a history of Remi and the training of therapy dogs. The music will be Deanna Larson of Ortonville gifting us with flute music. 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. ALL ARE WELCOME!



PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT for Angie Aschwege, Kelly Athey, Arlen LaCombe, Gail Olson, Harris Selvig, Beth Swanson, Brandi Tweeter, Jean Zielike; Monty Athey, Paul Erdman, Rosie Frank, Larry Helgeson, Natalie Henneberg, McCoy Jipson, Janice Redfield, David Scholberg, and Jerry Stotesbery. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Ricky Anderson, Arvilla Bergseth, Adeline Burgess, Jim Hipple, Vivian Janssen, Nola Lockwood, Roger Nornes; Aletta Simonitch; and Mary Lou Olson in Madison. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict especially Jacob Hamann, Colin Hartman, Tyler Ruby, and Thomas Halverson; and our South African students Sanelisiwe Dlamini and Andiswa Mbatha. If you would like a name to be added/removed, please contact the church office.



This Week's Ministry Assistants — August 3rd

Organist: Kathy Haukos

Greeters: Jackie & Mel Domine

Lay Assistants: Jim Foster & Amanda Stattelmann **Lector:** Jim Schmeichel

Acolytes: Katelyn & James **Tech Desk:** Cody Backstrand & Marina T.

Ushers: Gale May, Dean Strand, Vern Nickolauson, & David Ellingson

FWV: Darin & Kristi Ehrenberg

Next Week's Ministry Assistants — August 10th

Organist: Amy Adelman

Greeters: Marilyn Hanson & Ann Mattison

Lector: Marilyn Hanson

FWV: TBD

Acolytes: Bryson & Bennett

Tech Desk: David Ellingson & Marina T.

Ushers: Darin Ehrenberg, Eldon Knutson, Ellie & Harley Helgeson

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sun – 8/3 9:00 am FELC-Zion Joint Worship (**at FELC**) – Communion
– Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship

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

4:00 pm – 7:00 pm Pie & Ice Cream Social at Zion Church



Mon – 8/4 11:00 am Staff Meeting

Tues – 8/5 8:30 am Day of Love

3:30 pm Evangelism Meeting (Pastor Cheryl attending)

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

Wed – 8/6 9:30 am Channel 3 Broadcast

5:30 pm Channel 3 Broadcast

Fri – 8/8 **Pastor Cheryl is taking time off Aug 8th to 11th**

9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sun – 8/10 9:00 am Worship w/ Lisa Berdan

– Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live

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