



First English Lutheran Church

9 NW 3rd Street; Ortonville, MN 56278

Rev. Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett, Pastor

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Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

ELW SETTING FOUR



9:00 am

August 31, 2025

PREPARATION

Prelude

Bells

Welcome & KDIO Announcement

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

'Gather Us In'

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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

'Glory to God in the Highest'

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Prayer of the Day

P: O God, **C: you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Special Music

'God is Here!'

#526

WORD

First Lesson: Sirach 10:12-18

Psalm 112

ELW Psalm 112

L: ¹ Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God's commandments!

C: ² Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

L: ³ Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

C: ⁴ Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

L: ⁵ It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

C: ⁶ For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

L: ⁷ They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

C: ⁸ Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.

L: ⁹ They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

C: ¹⁰ The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.

Children's Message

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Gospel Acclamation 'Alleluia. Lord to whom.....'

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Holy Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

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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

'All Are Welcome'

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Apostle's Creed

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C: 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

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

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn

'If You But Trust in God to Guide You'

#769

Offertory Prayer

P: May the offerings brought this day be used as seeds, planted faithfully and nurtured lovingly so that God's way may be realized anew in this world. Magnify the gifts we offer to feed the hungry and sustain the poor for your kingdom. **C: Amen.**

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

Commission & Benediction:

P: Go now and walk in all God's ways. Keep your lives free from the love of money and status, but let love between people continue and be honored. Show hospitality to strangers. Pray for those who suffer torture and imprisonment and do not neglect to do good for those who are less fortunate.

And may God be your strength;

May Christ Jesus be for you a fountain of living water;

And may the Holy Spirit raise you to life eternal ...with all God's righteous ones. **C: Amen.**

Pastor Leaves Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace... to love and serve the Lord.

C: We will! Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

'Christ Be Our Light'

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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 Hours: Mondays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am to 4 pm), Tuesdays (Zion Lutheran 10 am to 4 pm), Wednesdays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am to 3:30 (and then teaching confirmation classes), & Thursdays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am – 4 pm (unless up at FWV/or visiting members) or by appointment. Contact her anytime via text (605-237-1501) or email at CMQRondeau@outlook.com.

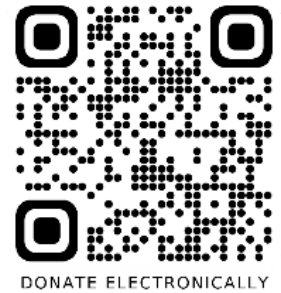
Welcome to all visitors and guests! May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle.

KDIO Radio Broadcast is sponsored in memory of Patrick Ketz whose birthday would be today, by Liz Ketz and family. [2025 and 2026 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.

The church office & Pastor Cheryl will go back to regular hours starting in September. The church office hours will be Monday-Thursday, 8 am – 3 pm & Fridays 8:00 am – 12:00 pm.

If you're unable to attend church on God's Work Our Hands Sunday (9/7),

Consider making a donation to Someplace Safe and Main Street Industries here at the church. There is a drop off tub in the Narthex. We are looking for items like Dental Hygiene products (toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, dental floss, etc.), Bathing products (shampoo, conditioner, body wash/soap, etc.), Menstrual products (tampons, disposable pads, etc.), Deodorant, Lotion, Chapstick/Lip Balm, Nail Clippers/Nail Files, Toilet Paper, Kleenex, Combs/Brushes, Diapers/Wipes, Cleaning products, Art Supplies (markers, colored pencils, crayons, pens), Word search books/Seek and Find, Fidgets & Post it Notes.

Coffee Fellowship will start up again beginning in September, however, it will be held upstairs in the narthex before our church service, so come a little early. Pastor Cheryl will be available for visiting. Bring your own cups with lids, or, if you forget, we will have some available for you here.

Before Pastor's installation service, September 28th, there will be a special welcoming coffee event from 8:00 am – 9:00 am downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Please come early that morning to help welcome Pastor Cheryl in as our officially called Pastor!

Children's Dental Services will be at the Big Stone County Family Services on Tues, September 9th. See the flyer in the kiosk for more information.

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.

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.

Prairie Five is having a senior expo Wednesday, September 24th. It will be held at 550 S 1st Street, in the Montevideo community center. Lunch will be served. The cost is \$12.00 and guests must register prior to the event. The registration deadline is September 10th. Please see the flyer in the Narthex for more information.

Stonecroft Ministries Women's Connection will be meeting on Tues., September 16th at 5:30 pm at Big Stone Tabor Methodist Church. The speaker will be Carlotta Rasmussen of Jamestown, ND whose talk is titled, "Paint and Repurpose." The special feature will be a Silent Auction to fund raise for Stonecroft Ministries. Bring items to bid on like produce, baked goods, decorations, books, etc. The music will be played by Amy Adelman, pianist. 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, Dawson Evje, Harley Helgeson, Arlen LaCombe, Gail Olson, Harris Selvig, Beth Swanson, Brandi Tweeter, Jean Zielike; Bishop Craig Anderson, Monty Athey, Paul Erdman, Rosie Frank, Larry Helgeson, Natalie Henneberg, McCoy Jipson, Janice Redfield, David Scholberg, Jerry Stotesbery, and George Wegner. 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.



God's Work, Our Hands is September 7th. There are signup sheets in the Narthex if you are willing to volunteer to help with an activity.

God's work. Our hands.



ELCA



Are You Called to Make a Difference?

Do you have a heart for helping young people grow in their faith and become confident, compassionate leaders? We are seeking a **Youth Leader** for the combined youth program of First English and Zion Lutheran Churches.

This is more than just a job; it's an opportunity to have a significant impact on the lives of young people in the Ortonville community. You'll be a mentor and guide, helping them navigate their spiritual journey and build a strong, supportive community.

About the Opportunity

- **Part-Time:** Approximately 10-15 hours per week, primarily on Wednesdays.
- **Your Role:** Guide, mentor, and inspire our youth.
- **Make an Impact:** Help shape the next generation of leaders in our community.

If you are passionate about working with youth, we want to hear from you!

For more information, please contact Pastor Cheryl at First English Lutheran Church, 9 Third Street NW, Ortonville, MN, or email CMQRondeau@outlook.com.

This Week's Ministry Assistants — August 31st

Organist: Amy Adelman

FWV: Mel & Jackie Domine

Greeters: Ethel & Garry Swenson

Acolytes: Bryson & TBD

Tech Desk: Terry Kalberg & Marina Thompson

Lector: Marge Dragseth

Ushers: Eldon Knutson, Ron Athey, Tami Lundberg, & Josh Wollschlager

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—September 7th

Organist: Kathy Haukos

Tech Desk: Liz Ketz & Marina Thomson

Acolytes: Brandon & Lexi

Greeters: Dean & Anita Longnecker

Lector: Brent Zahrbock

Ushers: Ev Johnson & Ron Athey

FWV: Becky Parker & Marge Dragseth

Next Week's Ministry Assistants — FWV 1 pm Wed. Sept. 10th

FWV Organist: Amy Adelman

FWV Assistants: Deb Henningson

Weekly Calendar

Sun – 8/31 9:00 am Worship – Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live
10:30 am Fairway View Worship (pre-recorded)

Mon – 9/1 **LABOR DAY – OFFICE CLOSED**



Tues – 9/2 8:30 am Day of Love
4-5:00 pm Bible Study at Donnie's Diner (Fairway View)

Wed – 9/3 9:00 am Circle 4 (in Church lounge)
9:30 am Channel 3 Broadcast
3:30 pm Confirmation (7-8th graders)
4:30 pm Confirmation (9th graders)
4:30 pm Acolyte Training (7-8th graders in sanctuary)
5:30 pm Channel 3 Broadcast
7:00 pm Senior Choir



Fri – 9/5 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sun – 9/7 **GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS**



Before Service – Coffee Fellowship in Narthex
9:00 am Worship – Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live
9:30ish Community Service Projects
10:30 am Fairway View Worship (pre-recorded)
After GWOH – Potluck Lunch (if get a potluck chair)