



First English Lutheran Church

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Nancie Haukos, Youth Director

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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost



RALLY SUNDAY – YOUTH SUNDAY - INSTALLATION OF NANCIE

September 20, 2026

ELW SETTING THREE

9:00 am

PREPARATION

Prelude, Bells

Welcome & KDIO Announcement

Peace:

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

GATHERING

Miley

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth. **C: Amen.**

L: Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Compassionate God, **C: we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

L: Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn

'Voices Raised to You' vs. 1-3

#845

GREETING (Lexi)

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L: 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.**

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray... **C: Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants.**

Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Special Music

'Jonah'

Senior Choir

WORD

First Reading: Jonah 3:10--4:11 (Cameron)

OT pg. 668

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

Psalms 145:1-8 (Brandon)

ELW Psalm 145

L: ¹ I will exalt you, my God and king, and bless your name forever and ever.

C: ² **Every day will I bless you and praise your name forever and ever.**

L: ³ Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised! There is no end to your greatness.

C: ⁴ **One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.**

L: ⁵ I will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.

C: ⁶ **They shall tell of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will recount your greatness.**

L: ⁷ They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing joyfully of your righteousness.

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

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

Second Reading: Philippians 1:21-30 (Cali)

NT pg. 152

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Liv talks with Lola – Bailey- Lexi – Meadow as Helpers...

Older part of skit: Martino – Chase – Brandon

Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia, Lord to whom?'

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Skit

(Gospel Reading Matthew 20:1-16 pg. 17 is part of the skit)

Bryson – Narrator

Landowner – Miley

Laborers: Meadow – Cali – Bennett – Nash – Amelia

Maddy – Justice – James – Cameron - Liam

Bryson – Reflection of Skit/Sermon

Installation of Youth Program Director Youth

In Christian love, you, the parents and families of this congregation...
Reward her faithfulness with the knowledge that through them your
purposes are accomplished, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**
Dear friends, rejoice that God provides laborers for the vineyards. Will
you do all you can to assist and encourage Nancie in the
responsibilities to which she has been called, giving her your
cooperation, your counsel, and your prayers? **C: We will.**

Welcome Gift Presentation Board of Youth & Family

APOSTLE'S CREED (Chase leading) pg. 127

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 (Cali, Amelia, Martino)

L: God, like the Israelites in the wilderness, we too have known....
church, the world, and all creation before You now.

Silence.

L: *(petition ends with)*.... In Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

L: All these things we pray in the name of Christ Jesus, the joy of heaven
to earth come down; he who is our life and our hope, our daily bread,
and abounding in steadfast love. **C: Amen**

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn 'Take My Life, That I May Be' vs. 1-3 & 6 #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.

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 (*inspired by Matthew 14:13-21*)

Maddy

L: Lord of the harvest, C: we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SHARING THE MEAL The Great Thanksgiving

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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.

WORDS OF PREPARATION

P: Merciful Lord, we do not come to your table trusting in our own goodness, but in your amazing grace. Gracious Lord, enable us by faith through this precious meal, so that we may be cleansed and forever dwell with you. Amen.

Words of Institution

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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.

Invitation to Communion

P: Christ invites you to this table.

All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

Communion Assistants: Bryson, James, Cameron, Amelia, Miley

Distribution Hymn

'Lamb of God'

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Distribution Hymn: 'O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts' vs. 1, 2 & 4 #658

1. O Jesus, joy of loving hearts, the fount of life, the light of all: from ev'ry bliss that earth imparts we turn, unfilled, to hear your call.

2. We taste you, ever-living bread, and long to feast upon you still; we drink of you, the fountainhead; our thirsting souls from you we fill.

4. O Jesus, ever with us stay! Make all our moments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin away! Shed o'er the world your holy light.

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808-1887, alt. Music: W. Gardiner, Sacred Melodies, 1815.

Distribution Hymn: 'Will You Let Me Be Your Servant' vs. 1-3 #659

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 : Sustaining God, **C: with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

SENDING

James

Commission & Benediction: *(based on Matthew 20:1-16)*

L: Go out from here as workers in God's upside-down kingdom... sustain you in the coming days. **C: Amen.**

Pastor Leaves

Announcements

Miley

Miley

Dismissal

L: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace. **C: We Will. Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn

'Lord of All Hopefulness' vs. 1-3

#765

Bells

Postlude

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Galatians 5:25 "If we live by the Spirit, we should also walk by the Spirit."

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 pastor@firstenglish.net.

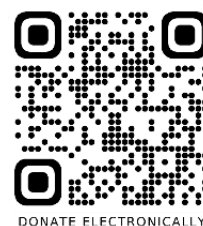
Welcome to all visitors and guests! May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle.

KDIO Radio Broadcast is sponsored by your gifts to the Endowment Fund. [2026 & **2027** 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>August 2026</u>	<u>Year-to-Date 2026</u>
Offerings/Gifts:	\$22,631.47	\$140,932.85
Zion Receivable:	\$3,397.44	\$27,719.80
Total Revenue:	\$26,028.91	\$168,862.65
Expenses:	\$19,295.54	\$162,701.51
Balance:	\$6,733.37	\$5,951.14



September's pink envelope emphasis is for Endowment Fund/KDIO. You can find special pink envelopes for designated giving in the Narthex.

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Gayle Anderson whose birthday is Friday, Sept. 25th.

Noisy Offering is next Sunday. Remember to bring change!

If you did not receive giving envelopes last year, but would like some giving envelopes for 2027, or if you *did* receive envelopes, but don't want to any longer, please let someone in the office know.

Fall First Communion Classes Registration Open: Children in 2nd grade on up from First English and Zion Lutheran are invited to participate in First Communion Classes this fall. Students are required to attend two hour-long classes. Classes will be held at First English on Oct. 1st & 8th beginning at 3:30 pm depending on the grade of the child. 2nd & 3rd graders will meet at 3:30. 5th & 6th graders will meet at 4:30. Please see the August newsletter for more information.

Recognition of New Members Sunday will be October 4th. If you're interested in becoming a member reach out to Pastor Cheryl or someone on the Evangelism Committee. We also have forms in the Narthex that you can fill out and return to the office.

There is a box of stuffed animals that someone allowed to be used by VBS one year. If it is yours, you can find it in the pickup room. Please pick it up ASAP. If it is not picked up soon, it will be donated to charity.

The FELC Benefit Auction closes tomorrow, September 21st. For easy viewing and bidding you can download the Zielsdorff app at <https://www.zielsdorffauctions.com/our-app>. There are slips with more information and a QR Code in the Narthex for you to take with you.

If an item of yours has been bid on and it's a smaller item, please bring it to the church. The items are going to be picked up by the winners, Tues. September 22nd – Wednesday the 23rd. Larger item delivery will be arranged with the buyer and seller.

Altar Guild: Let's have a get together on Sunday, 10/11/2026, following worship, at the front of the church. ***If anyone is interested in becoming a member of this group***, we welcome you to join us. I want to hear what is going well and where we may need to make changes. Please plan to attend if you can. It would be great if we could get a couple more in our group to lighten the load, so if you think of anyone, reach out to them and invite them for this meeting. See you then!

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT for Matt Carlson, Gail Olson, Burt Pansch, Nancy Pierzina; Monty Athey, Corin Dale, Alvin Dexter, Dustin Hanson, Larry Helgeson, Courtney Jorgensen, Barb Jorgenson, Mary Ross, and Jerry Stotesbery. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Ricky Anderson, Arvilla Bergseth, Adeline Burgess, Jim Hipple, Vivian Janssen, Evelyn Olson, Aletta Simonitch, Janice Redfield in Clinton and Mary Lou Olson in Madison. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict; and our Haitian student, Ycherson Soh and 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 — Rally Sunday, September 20th

Organist: Amy Adelman	Acolytes: Liam & Sailor
Greeters: Art & Arlene Vollmer	Lector: Youth
Tech Desk: Liz Ketz & Drew Johnson	Lay Assistants: Youth
Ushers: Dean Longnecker, Gale May, Marla & Dick Strei	

Next Week's Ministry Assistants — Teacher Installation September 27th

Organist: Lisa Berdan	Acolytes: Bailey & Weston
Greeters: Garry & Ethel Swenson	Lector: Darin Ehrenberg
Tech Desk: Cody Backstrand & James Hodenfield	
Ushers: Tami Lundberg, Paula Reisdorph, Jackie & Mel Domine	

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sun – 9/20



Rally Sunday



Before Service Coffee Visit w/Pastor

9:00 am Youth-Led Worship Service – Communion

– Installation of Nancie Haukos as Youth Director

– Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live

10:00 am Wildlife Refuge Activities

4:00 – 5:15 pm Cantata Practice

Mon- 9/21 Auction Ends – October Newsletter Deadline

11:00 am Staff Meeting

3:00 pm Fairway View Worship Live

with Pr. Cheryl & Communion

3:00 pm FELC Online Auction Ends

4 - 7 pm Confirmand Interviews

Tues – 9/22 First Day of Autumn

8:30 am Day of Love

11 am – 6 pm Auction Pick Up

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

Wed – 9/23 EARLY OUT

9:00 am – 4:00 pm Auction Pick Up

9:30 am TV Broadcast

1:45 pm Confirmation (7-8)

2:45 pm Confirmation (9)

4:00 pm Youth Group (7-12)

5:30 pm TV Broadcast

6:30 pm Cantata Practice

7:15 pm Senior Choir

Fri – 9/25 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sun – 9/27 Before Service Coffee Visit w/Pastor



9:00 am Worship Service – Bible Presentations – Noisy Offering

– Sunday School Teacher Installation – Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live

10:00 am Sunday School

4:00 – 5:15 pm Cantata Practice