



First English Lutheran Church

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Rev. Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett, Pastor

Nancie Haukos, Youth Director

Lisa Berdan, Senior Choir Director

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost



October 18, 2026

ELW SETTING TWO

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

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

'God is Here!' vs. 1, 2, & 4

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GREETING

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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.**

Kyrie

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

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: 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. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

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

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

Hymn of Praise

'Glory to God in the Highest'

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Prayer of the Day:

L: Sovereign God, **C: raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Special Music

'A Giving Place'

Senior Choir

WORD

First Reading: Exodus 33:12-23

OT pg. 62

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

Psalms 99

ELW Psalm 99

L: ¹ The Lord is king; let the people tremble. The Lord is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

C: ² The Lord, great in Zion, is high above all peoples.

L: ³ Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome; God is the Holy One.

C: ⁴ O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

L: ⁵ Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and fall down before God's footstool; God is the Holy One.

C: ⁶ Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your name, O Lord, they called upon you, and you answered them,

L: ⁷ you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.

C: ⁸ O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.

L: ⁹ Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and worship upon God's holy hill; for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

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Second Reading: Acts 10:34-43

NT pg. 99

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Noisy Offering

Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

NT pg. 19

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

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

Sermon

Archer Dorry

Sermon Song

'Lift Every Voice & Sing' vs 1 & 3

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1. Lift ev'ry voice and sing till earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmonies of liberty. Let our rejoicing rise high as the list'ning skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us; facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on till victory is won.

3. God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee; shadowed beneath thy hand may we forever stand, true to our God, true to our native land.

Text: James W. Johnson, 1871-1938; Music: J. Rosamond Johnson, 1873-1954.

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.

Prayers of Intercession (*inspired by Matthew 22:15-22*)

L: Let us remember before God, our world, its people and give thanks for them and all of creation.

Time of Silent Reflection

L: (*petition ends with*).... let us pray: **C: We pray you hear your people.**

L: We thank you for our ancestors... be reunited at your banquet table.

C: Amen

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn 'We Give Thee But Thine Own' #686

1. We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

2. May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive, and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our firstfruits give.

3. The captive to release, to God the lost to bring, to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christlike thing.

4. And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt. Music: L. Mason and G. Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850.

Prayer of the Offering (*based on Matthew 14:22-33*)

L: God of creation, **C: you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. 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: (*inspired by Exodus 33: 12-23*)

L: Go now as those who have found favor ... may the inspiration of the Holy Spirit fill you with joy. **C: Amen.**

Archer Leaves
Announcements

Dismissal

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

C: We Will! Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

'God Be with You Till We Meet Again'

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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.

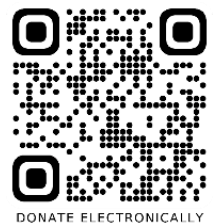
KDIO Radio Broadcast is sponsored in memory of Ruth Hanson from David & Anne Tonn. [2026 & **2027** Radio broadcast cards are available in the narthex; cost is \$100/week].

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Luane Huizenga whose birthday is Wednesday, October 21st.

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>September 2026</u>	<u>Year-to-Date 2026</u>
Offerings/Gifts:	\$17,068.04	\$158,000.89
Zion Receivable:	\$3,316.79	\$31,036.59
Total Revenue:	\$20,384.83	\$189,247.48
Expenses:	\$21,520.82	\$184,222.33
Balance:	-\$1,135.99	\$5,025.15



October's pink envelope emphasis is for Jaycee's Project Christmas. You can find special pink envelopes for designated giving in the Narthex.

Due to changes to our snow removal, we are asking our members for input of companies or individuals willing to contract services. This is for snow removal for all walking areas around the church. The parking lot is already under contract. Please advise office staff if you know of any.

Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church in Benson, MN is having their annual Smorgasbord on Wednesday, October 28th 4:30-7:30 pm. See the posted flyers for the menu & prices.

There is a Trunk or Treat Community Event in Spicer, MN, Sunday, October 25th at Hope Presbyterian Church from 4:30-5:30 pm. See fliers for more information.

Pastor-Parish Relations Committee Meeting Oct. 26th - Part of the Board of Lay Ministry's job description says that the board is to: Ensure that a pastoral relations committee is active and that it offers verbal encouragement and/or directions to the pastor(s). Current members of this committee are Josh Wollschlager, Kristi Ehrenberg, and Ethel Swenson. Our Vice President, Ellie Helgeson, is the committee facilitator. If any congregant has an issue and doesn't feel they can talk directly to the Pastor, they are invited to speak to one of the committee members. Please consider this an open invitation; both negative and positive comments are welcome. The committee generally meets with the Pastor twice each year, April and October.

CONCERT EXCURSION --- SIGN UP DEADLINE OCTOBER 20th

Have motor coach, will travel to Concordia College, Moorhead, MN on Friday, December 4th for their 100th Anniversary Christmas Concert titled "Child of Promise, Shine Through Us." This is an evening performance. If you are interested, you must sign up by **OCTOBER 20th, 2026**. This seems early, but tickets must be purchased and we must complete our motor coach reservation (52 passenger). The approximate cost for the ticket and ride is \$65.00/per person with a full motor coach. It will be necessary that you sign up to know if we have enough interest to make this excursion possible. Please contact Ethel Swenson – 320-305-0825 with your interest and questions. My list has started....there is room for you!!!!

Stonecroft Ministries Women's Connection will be meeting on Tues., October 20th at 5:30 pm at Big Stone Tabor Methodist Church. The speaker will be Trudy C. Hartman of Brandon, SD, whose talk is titled, "Then Sings My Soul." The special feature is a silent auction. Bring items to bid on like produce, baked goods, decorations, books, etc. Fund raiser is for Stonecroft Ministries. Music will be provided by Trudy C. Hartman as soloist with guitar. The cost is \$6.00, food will be served, and you can register with Carol Karels at 320-487-2355 or just be a walk-in. ALL ARE WELCOME!

UM Presbyterian Church of Browns Valley will have a Turkey Dinner and Bake Sale on Sunday, November 1st from 11 am to 1 pm. The menu will include turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, squash, dressing, cranberries, pickles, rolls, and pumpkin pie. Take outs and deliveries are available by calling the church on Sunday (320) 695-2516. All this for only: Adults - \$18.00, Kids (6-12 years old) - \$7.00 and kids (≤5 yo) – Free

Owen Dorry was injured in a car accident 10/9/26. He has since been in the ICU in Sioux Falls with a spinal cord injury. He will be transitioning to Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital in Lincoln, NE for approximately 6 weeks. The family is facing unexpected travel expenses with gas, food, and lodging while traveling to be with Owen while he recovers. It is a long road ahead. Many have reached out wondering how to help financially. Donations of gift cards, gas cards, or Venmo can be sent to Kari Dorry @kari-dorry or left at the church office. An address for cards and well wishes will be posted once the family is settled into the rehab facility. Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

Our 2026 Mission Emphasis Sunday will be on Sunday, November 8 during our 9am service at FELC. Jennifer Henrich from Someplace Safe in Ortonville will do a temple talk about the mission of Someplace Safe. A special offering will be taken for Someplace Safe as you leave church that morning.

Someplace Safe in Ortonville is having a soup & chili fundraiser on Thursday, October 22 at Ortonville Community Center located at 200 Monroe Avenue in Ortonville. Come enjoy a soup/chili meal 4:00-7:00pm. A free will offering will be taken.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT for Matt Carlson, Pat Collins, Owen Dorry, Courtney Jorgensen, Gail Olson, Nancy Pierzina, Jocelyn Schowalter; Monty Athey, Corin Dale, Alvin Dexter, Dustin Hanson, Larry Helgeson, Barb Jorgenson, Mary Ross, Karen Saeger, Jerry Stotesbery and Gwen Zimmerman. 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 — October 18th

Organist: Kathy Haukos

Acolytes: Hayden & Tessa

Greeters: Sarah Haukos & Amelia K.

Lector: Marge Dragseth

Tech Desk: Marge Dragseth & James Hodenfield

Ushers: Gale May, Warren Wiese, Russ Thielke, & Connie Newman

Next Week's Ministry Assistants — October 25th

Organist: Lisa Berdan

Acolytes: Lexi & Brandon

Greeters: Nancie Haukos & Mia

Lay Assistants: Confirmands

Tech Desk: Kim Anderson & Cameron Anderson

Lector: Confirmands

Ushers: Gale May, Jim Foster, Eugene Stotesbery, & Art Vollmer

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sun – 10/18 Before Service Coffee Fellowship



9:00 am Worship Service (Archer Dorry leading)
– Noisy Offering – Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live
4:00 – 5:15 pm Cantata Practice

**NO
SUNDAY
SCHOOL**

Mon- 10/19 11:00 am Staff Meeting

3:00 pm Fairway View Live Worship
with Pr. Cheryl & Communion

Tues – 10/20 8:30 am Day of Love

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

Wed – 10/21 EARLY OUT

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 – 10/23 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sun – 10/25 REFORMATION & AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMS

Before Service Coffee Visit w/Pastor

9:00 am Worship Service – Affirmation of Baptism
– Communion – Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live

9:30 – 10:15 am Sunday School

10:00 am Confirmation Cake in Fellowship Hall

4:00 – 5:15 pm Cantata Practice

