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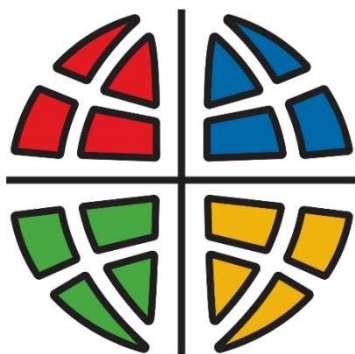
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10 am ~ 2 pm, Mon ~ Thu

Pastor:
Rachel Reeder

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Each Member



ELCA

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost



July 14, 2024
9:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN REDLANDS

At First Evangelical Lutheran all are welcome here – disciples and doubters, sinners and saints, wanderers and wonderers, young and young at heart, insiders and outsiders – all of God’s children are welcome in this community as we **worship** together, **learn** together, **serve** together, **pray** together and **play** together seeking to follow Jesus in our daily lives. We are blessed by your presence here today!

***Please fill out the “Welcome to Worship” slip
in the pew rack and pass to the side aisles***

Guidance for using this bulletin and the hymnal:

- ✧ All are invited to speak those responses printed in **bold**.
- ✧ ELW refers to material from the Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal in the pew rack in front of you.
- ✧ Numbers preceded by “ELW” refer to the hymns and songs found in the middle and back portions of the hymnal
- ✧ Numbers preceded by the word “pg” refer to material found in the front portion of the hymnal.
- ✧ “OT pg.” or “NT” pg. are in the old and new testament of the pew Bible.

*We live stream our worship services on YouTube
Hearing Assist devices available from the sound booth.
You can also connect hearing aides through our T coil / Loop system*

PRELUDE

"Toccata"

- Paradies

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Please rise as you are able

GATHERING HYMN

ELW 807

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

GREETINGS

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated

A reading from Amos.

⁷ This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand.

⁸ And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said,

“See, I am setting a plumb line
in the midst of my people Israel;
I will never again pass them by;

⁹ the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,
and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,
and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.”

¹⁰ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words.

¹¹ For thus Amos has said,
‘Jeroboam shall die by the sword,
and Israel must go into exile
away from his land.’”

¹² And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³ but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.”

¹⁴ Then Amos answered Amaziah, “I am no prophet, nor a prophet’s son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵ and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

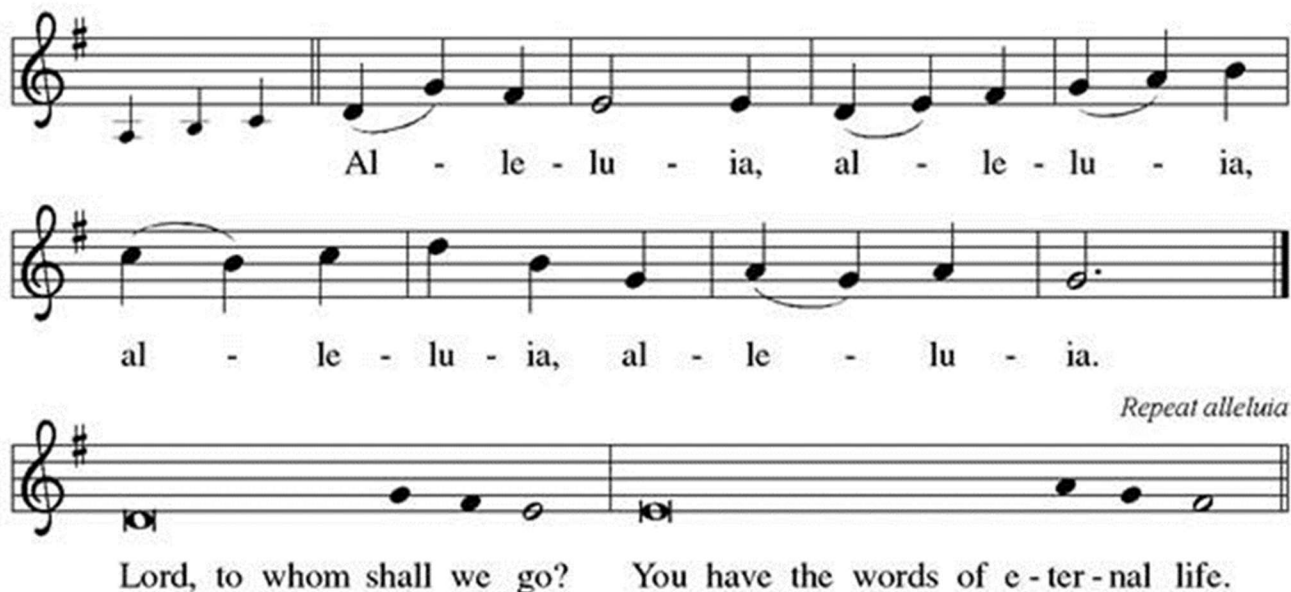
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

A reading from Ephesians. ³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵ He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸ that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹ he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Please rise as you are able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 6:14-29

NT pg. 31

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁴ King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." ¹⁵ But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶ But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸ For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife."

¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a

righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹ But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²² When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, “Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.” ²³ And he solemnly swore to her, “Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.” ²⁴ She went out and said to her mother, “What should I ask for?” She replied, “The head of John the baptizer.” ²⁵ Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, “I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.” ²⁶ The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷ Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John’s head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸ brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹ When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Pastor Rachel Reeder

Please rise as you are able

“Let Justice Flow like Streams”

YOUTH COMMISSIONING

APOSTLES' CREED

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.

Please be seated

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

..... In your mercy,
hear our prayer.

....., Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY "I Love Thee, My Lord" - G. Shearing

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you**
Lift up your heart. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy". It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff has a longer note value for "san - na". The fourth staff concludes with a double bar line.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath. **We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future. **We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now. **We thank you, O God.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,

and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. **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

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Come, taste and see, that the lord is good (Psalm 34:8). All are welcome. Please follow the directions of the ushers to come forward. You will be given the bread and your choice of either red wine or white grape juice. You may dispose of your cup in the wastebasket at the side aisle.

COMMUNION HYMN

ELW 697

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever. Amen.

Please rise as you are able

“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

- setting, M. Sedio

Altar Flowers this week

*In celebration of Cindy & Matt Pool's 21st anniversary,
and Tanner Pool's 12th birthday*



Stewardship

July, 14

July, 21

Usher (1)

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Kim Hudson

Usher (2)

Nancy Griesmer

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Sound/IT Assistant

Jack Caballero

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Altar Guild

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Claudia & Mitch

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Life in Christ

- **Adult Forum** - Sunday after service @ 10:30 am
- **Online Worship** - every Sunday through our website at www.firstlutheranredlands.org.
- **Flower Chart for 2024** is in the Narthex. Please sign up to purchase flowers for our back altar. The cost is \$50. Please call or email your dedication to office@firstlutheranredlands.org by the Tuesday prior to your dedication. Available Dates: Aug 11, 25, Sep & Oct 13.
- **Bible Study** - Thursday Mornings weekly at 11:00 am. Join us via zoom for a discussion on the upcoming Gospel lesson. Zoom Meeting ID: 895 4566 3534 Code: 313299.
- **COMIC Quilters** - Wednesday morning meetings at 10:00 am in the Fireside Room.
- **Redland Family Services** – no donations requested at this time.

For new bulletin and/or e-news announcement(s), please send requests to the office by Tuesday prior to your desired publishing date(s).

This Week at First

Wednesday 07/17	10:00 AM	COMIC Quilters - Fireside Room
Thursday 07/18	11:00 AM	Bible Study – Cancelled this week
Friday 07/19	5:30 PM - 8:00 PM	SDA Worship - Sanctuary/PH
Saturdays 07/20	10:00 AM 06:00 PM	SDA Worship - Sanctuary/PH AA Care and Share - PH
Sunday 07/21	09:00 AM 10:30 AM 01:00 PM	Sunday Worship – Sanctuary Adult Forum - Chapel BATAK Church – Sanctuary

Upcoming Dates

Sunday 08/04	09:00 AM	“Hymn Sing” – Sanctuary (During service)
Tuesday 08/13	06:30 PM	Book Club – Fireside Rm “An Unfinished Love Story”
Friday 11/08	05:00 PM -09:00 PM	Lutheran Social Services Gala 2024 Riverside, California

SUNDAY, JULY 21, Reverend Eric Shafer from Global Refuge (formerly Lutheran Immigration Refugee Services) will be our guest preacher and will host a Q&A during Adult Forum for those interested.

BOOK CLUB - Come join us on Tuesday August 13 (originally scheduled for July 9th) at 06:30 PM for Book Club in the Fireside Room. We will be discussing the book "An Unfinished Love Story" by Doris Kearns Goodwin. See you there!

CCLM - Although CCLM is under construction they continue to flourish. They are almost at capacity in the shelter and still have need for items for the clients. Current needs are:

- Men's Deodorant – 3oz.
- Men's Shaving Cream – 4 oz.
- Toothpaste – Travel Size
- Single Use Razors
- Towels – Bath size
- Twin Size Mattress Covers with Bed Bug Protector

Also, the Permanent Supportive Housing Division needs:

- If anyone is thinking of replacing their washer or dryer please think of the CCLM clients.
- Gently used washers and dryers:
- 120 volt, three-prong plug and require a gas connection for the dryer.

REDLANDS BOWL USHER SIGNUP – First Lutheran, in support of the Redlands Bowl, is looking for 10 – 15 volunteers to usher the August 2 performance put on by the *Tango Del Cielo* dance group, and headlined by harpist Anna Maria Mendieta. The show will include a fusion of fascinating Latin dancing styles and performances. If you can help support, the signup sheet will be in the Narthex. Volunteer ushers are asked to report at 7:00 p.m. in front of the Mission Gables House, across from the Library, to receive instructions. First Lutheran tee shirts are permitted if you have one.

HYMN SING - Call out your favorite hymn and hear a verse or two played during the Gathering Hymn. Think of your favorite hymn and Kim, our amazingly talented organist will play a verse or two for us to sing and worship to. Will return August 4!

HOME COMMUNION DELIVERY – One of our many ministries at First Lutheran is delivery of communion to members and others who are not able to attend services in person. Often a temporary or permanent health issue means someone is not able to come to the building. Our team of Sue Lehner and Karen Fredricksen, visit and deliver communion consecrated by Pastor Rachel. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, or know someone who could be served, feel free to contact the church office 909-793-2267 so that we can help connect you to Sue, Karen or Pastor Rachel for additional details.

14 Pray that we will listen carefully to God and seek to understand God's ways and commands, which provide guidance for our life and faith and show us how to love and serve our neighbors.

15 Remember in prayer the residents of New Orleans and give thanks as they open their community and extend their enthusiasm, assistance and hospitality to youth, adults and leaders during the ELCA Youth Gathering and related events. Give thanks for ELCA congregations and ministries in New Orleans that help make the Gathering a faith-strengthening, life-changing experience for everyone.

16 Pray for youth and young adults participating in the ELCA Youth Gathering and Young Adult Gathering as they explore what it means to be created by God as free, brave, authentic, disruptive disciples — all invaluable parts of our faith and identity in a world of ongoing challenge, crisis and suffering.

17 Generation Zero-Hunger is a youth-driven fundraising challenge to support the programs of ELCA World Hunger, our church's ministry to end hunger and poverty. Pray for the Spirit to inspire our generosity and compassion for our neighbors as we respond to this challenge to usher in a world without hunger and futures filled with hope.

18 Pray for our neighbors who suffer and long for peace in places of conflict and war. Pray that we will not grow weary in our concern, support and prayer and that we will not rest until there is peace and healing.

19 Give thanks for everything that God has revealed and given to us through Jesus Christ that stirs our hope and joy: God's abundant grace and mercy, God's will for our present life and future, and the promise of eternal life in the kingdom of God.

20 Pray that youth, young adults and adults attending the ELCA Youth Gathering will return home safely, bringing with them enthusiasm for sharing the impact of their faith-building experience and a renewed understanding of the task we share in common — doing God's work in the world.

Remember in prayer...

"Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs"

Healing and strength: **Julie Garcia**, healing after her fall; **Katy Davenport** (granddaughter of Larry & Kathy Devenport), prayers for upcoming surgery; **Margaret & Ray**, also please lift up **Sean Fredricksen** (son of Karen Fredricksen), giving prayer for health, healing and strength.

Praise: **Jonathan Triplett** (nephew to Tom Olsen) we give thanks for Johnathan healing after recent hospitalization.

Continuing prayers for: **Bill, Nancy, and Tammy** family of Paces; **Mac & Donna Barnes**; **Walter**, brother of Ginger Close

Our homebound: **Betty Frannea**; **Carlton Peterson**; **Kay and John McMunn**

** Presiding Bishop of the ELCA, Elizabeth Eaton and Bishop of the Pacifica Synod, Dave Nagler.

** The people of Israel and Palestine.

** Peace.

"Into your hand we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

The prayer list is refreshed each week using the "Welcome to Worship" slips. If you have a prayer request, please include it on those slips or contact the Pastor or church office.