

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



July 21, 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 – <u>all</u> 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 "Sarabande" from Second English Suite - J. S. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Please rise as you are able

GATHERING HYMN

All Creation Sings, 1062





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, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated

FIRST READINGJeremiah 23:1-6OT pg. 561

A reading from Jeremiah.

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you

who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Ephesians 2:11-22 NT pg. 148

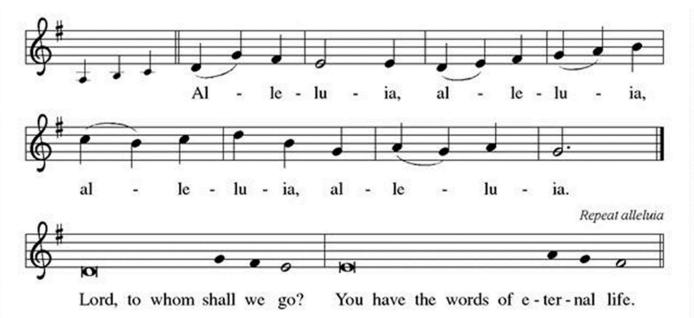
A reading from Ephesians.

¹¹ Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— ¹² remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵ He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷ So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰ built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

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

Please rise as you are able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL READING Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 NT pg. 32

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.** ³⁰ The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³² And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴ As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Reverend Eric Shafer

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 332

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

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 "O God of Mercy, God of Light"

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

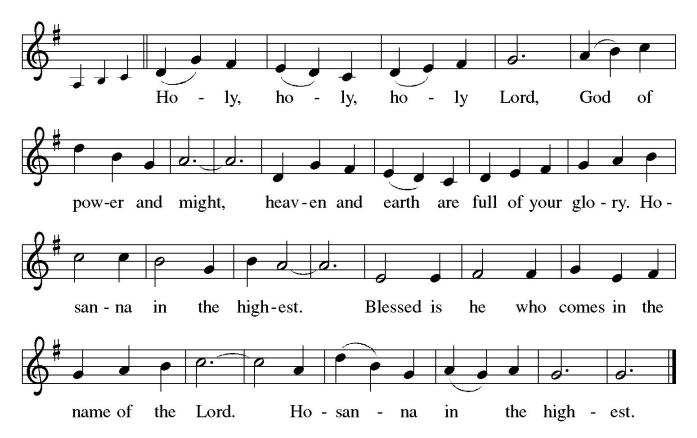
The Lord be with you. **And also with you** Lift up your heart. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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



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.

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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

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our 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

SENDING HYMN

"Jesus Shall Reign"

ELW 623

ELW 434

DISMISSAL

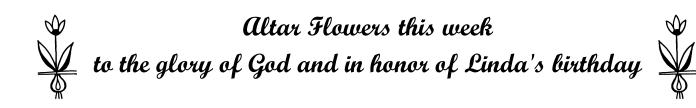
Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Grand Chorus in B-flat"

- DuBois



Stewardship

Usher (1) Usher (2) Reader / Comm. Asst. (1) Communion Assistant (2) Sound/IT Sound/IT Altar Guild Security

<u>July, 21</u>

Kim Hudson Bill Havard Bob Close

Tom Olsen Jack Caballero Claudia & Mitch Jerry Bean

July, 28

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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 <u>office@firstlutheranredlands.org</u> by the Tuesday prior to your dedication. Available Dates: Aug 11, 25, <u>Sep</u> & 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).

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

This Week at First

Wednesday 07/24	10:00 AM 06:30 PM	COMIC Quilters - Fireside Room Word & Wine - J. Riley
Thursday 07/25	11:00 AM	Bible Study - Zoom
Friday 07/26	5:30 PM - 8:00 PM	SDA Worship - Sanctuary/PH
Saturdays 07/27	10:00 AM 06:00 PM	SDA Worship - Sanctuary/PH AA Care and Share - PH
Sunday 07/28	09:00 AM 10:30 AM 01:00 PM	Sunday Worship – Sanctuary Adult Forum - Chapel BATAK Church – Sanctuary

WORD AND WINE GATHERING JULY 24 (*a*) **J. RILEY** - Another opportunity for members of First Lutheran and their guests to enjoy a meal and beverage at a local restaurant is scheduled for Wednesday, July 24, at "J. Riley Distillery", 420 W. Oriental Ave., just west of Eureka Street in downtown Redlands. The reservation is for 6:30 p.m. and a signup sheet will be available before, during and after worship on Sunday, July 21. Or, please call or text Linda Murphy or Dianne Wolkenhauer to reserve your spot(s).

J. Riley has a full menu for food and spirits, we have gathered there before, and it has good reviews.

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.

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!

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!

PRAYER VENTURES

21 We are called to do God's work in the world, both individually and with siblings in Christ who encourage, support and inspire us. Give thanks that we are not alone in our baptismal journey of service and that the Spirit gives us diverse gifts that complement one another.

22 Pray for musicians and leaders gathering for the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians conference at Valparaiso University, Ind., an annual continuing education event to nurture and equip church musicians, pastors and worship leaders.

23 Praise God and give thanks for the leaders and volunteers who planned and implemented the ELCA Youth Gathering, Multicultural Youth Leadership Event (MYLE), the tAble event and the Young Adult Gathering. Give thanks for congregations, community organizations, residents and community leaders in New Orleans who demonstrated hospitality and shared their wisdom and resources to help make the ELCA Youth Gathering experience safe, relevant and impactful.

24 "The Lord is my shepherd" (Psalm 23:1). We may not be familiar with the work of shepherds anymore, but we do know the joy and relief of having God in our lives to guide us, comfort us, restore us and walk with us through darkness and evil. Give thanks and praise to God, our ever-present shepherd!

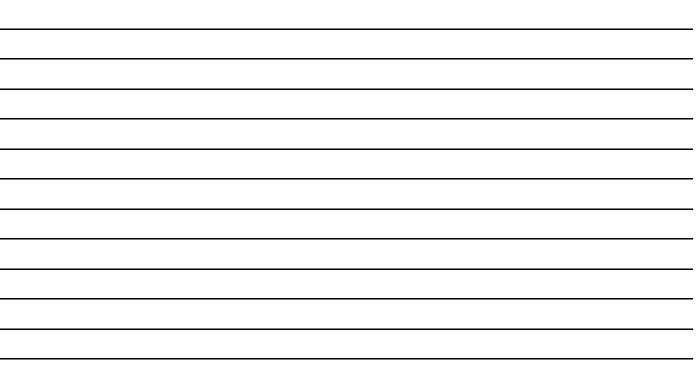
25 Remember in prayer young adults nearing the end of their yearlong volunteer service in the Young Adults in Global Mission program. Give thanks for their faith, gifts, witness and commitment

to ministry, and pray that the Spirit will prepare them to pursue new opportunities for service and ministry in the church, our communities and the world.

26 Pray for peace and civility in our nation, for the mending of rifts and ideologies that isolate us and for the diverse gifts, perspectives and life experiences that enrich and inform our life together.

27 Pray that the companion synod relationships connecting ELCA synods and congregations with Lutheran churches around the world will flourish and will nurture and strengthen these congregations for life and ministry through prayer, study, communication, exchange of visitors and sharing of resources.

NOTES:



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: Joe Breckey (uncle of Scott Huseth), in need of prayer; Teodoro Madrid (father of the caretaker to Beverly Chovick), who is in need of prayer; Thomas Olsen, prayers for upcoming minor medical procedures; Prayers for our Country, for Trump and the Families of the ones who were killed or hurt during this past weeks event.

<u>Continuing prayers for:</u> 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. <u>Amen.</u>"

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.