FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, July 9, 2023

After Pentecost, Yr A, Lect 14

ORDER OF WORSHIP - ELW SETTING 4



Ringing of Bell

PRELUDE

HYMN OF THE MONTH Holy Spirit Living Breath of God

[Songsheet]

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,

who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and our neighbors.

Silence is kept for reflection

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

<u>HYMN</u> Jesus Shall Reign vss. 1,2,3 No. 434

GREETING 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 Spoken pg. 147

- P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: 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.
- P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C. Amen.

<u>HYMN OF PRAISE</u> pg. 149

- P. **Spoken** This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.
- C. Sung

 1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.
 Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.
 This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.
 - ² Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY We pray together

L: The Lord be with you. **C:** And also with you.

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S WORD

PSALM 145:8-14 We read responsively

- L: The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- C: LORD, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works.
- L: All your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you.
- C: They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,
- L: that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- C: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- L: You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.
- C: The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 7:15-25A Through Jesus Christ, God has set us free

¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

WORD OF GOD, WORD OF LIFE. THANKS BE TO GOD.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO: MATTHEW 11:16-19, 25-30 Who can come to Jesus?

C: Glory to you, O Lord

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶ To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ¹⁷ We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

²⁵At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

P: The Gospel of our Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Julie Rogness

HYMN Give Me Jesus

vss. 1,2,3 No<u>. 770</u>

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.

INVITATION TO PRAYER -PRAYERS

SHARING OF PEACE – The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

GRATITUDE IN ACTION—OFFERING—OFFERTORY—GLOBE OFFERING

Children are invited to bring forward an offering to the globe in the front of the church. Globe offerings go to one of our global mission partners.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of field and forest, sea and sky,

C: you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

p. 152

Spoken

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.

PREFACE — HOLY, HOLY

P: 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 overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

With the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sung Holy, holy, holy Lord; Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION - LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION The table is ready. Come, taste, and see.

DISTRIBUTION & Lamb of God

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

<u>DISTRIBUTION HYMN</u> Lord of All Hopefulness

No<u>. 765</u>

<u>COMMUNION BLESSING — BENEDICTION</u>

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

P: The Lord bless and keep you,

the Lord make his face to shine upon you

and be gracious to you;

the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,

and give you peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN Go My Children with My Blessing

No. 543

Ringing of Bell

DISMISSAL L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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CALENDAR - ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUN/JUL 9	9 am	WORSHIP-In person & live streamed
	7 PM	AA
WED/JUL 12	5 PM	Endowment Committee
	6 PM	Outdoor Worship – BYO Chair
	6:45-7:45 pm	Gr. 6-8 Campfire & S'mores – BYO Chair
THU/JUL 13	1 PM	LOVE DAY
	6 PM	Light Meal & Freewill Offering – BY FLCW CALL CORA LEE OR CANDY
	7 PM	Family Show & Freewill Offering - 'Laugh For Life' see more below
SUN/JUL 16	9 AM	WORSHIP-In person & live streamed - Summer Fest Send-Off

SUMMER BOOK READ sponsored by Worship / Evangelism Committee. "Ordinary Grace" by William Kent Krueger. Book discussion is scheduled at Lacey's Restaurant on Sunday, August 13 @ 4 pm. Appetizers purchased individually. If unable to read the book, you are still welcome to join us and enjoy the discussion.

MEAL & FAMILY SHOW – JULY 13 Sponsored by FLCW

6 pm - Light Meal / Freewill Offering Call for meal planning: Cora Lee, 612-756-4687 or Candy at 506-330-0640

7 pm Family Show / Freewill Offering Pastor Kevin Doely, Musical Ventriloquist

You may also come just for the program at 7:00 and give a free offering there.

Habitat For Humanity- July 17 from 8 am to 4 pm - Church Volunteer Day - Wanamingo Build Site.

Volunteers need not have experience or expertise – and can come for all or some of that time. To Sign Up, visit—

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