

TIME AFTER PENTECOST

FIRST LUTHERAN

September 5, 2010
10:30 a.m.

Festive Worship Service

Page numbers are in the front of the red hymnal.

Hymns are in the back of the hymnal.

Words in italics are instructions or are statements made by the leader.

Words in bold type are assembly responses.

† GATHERING †

Prelude

O Bread of Life from Heaven (arr. E. L. Diemer)

Life isn't easy. Neither are Jesus' sayings in today's gospel, and neither is this prelude.

Greeting

*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 and Forgiveness (page 95)

Kyrie

"In Peace, Let Us Pray to the Lord" (page 98)

Hymn of Praise

"Glory to God in the Highest" (page 99)

Prayer of the Day

Amen.

Gathering Announcements

Please remember to turn off your cell phones and pagers.
Thank you.



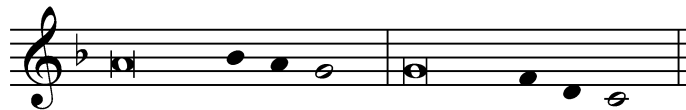
First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 1



¹*Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel¹ of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners,*

nor sat in the seats¹ of the scornful!

²**Their delight is in the law¹ of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching¹ day and night.**

³*They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that¹ do not wither;
everything they¹ do shall prosper.*

⁴**It is not so¹ with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind¹ blows away.**

⁵*Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright
when¹ judgment comes,*

nor the sinner in the council¹ of the righteous.
**⁶For the LORD knows the way¹ of the righteous,
 but the way of the wicked shall¹ be destroyed.**

Second Reading: Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
 To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our
 sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your
 house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord
 Jesus Christ.

⁴When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my
 God ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith
 toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the sharing of your faith may
 become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do
 for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement
 from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been re-
 freshed through you, my brother.

⁸For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to com-
 mand you to do your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the
 basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a
 prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, One-
 simus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment.
¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both
 to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back
 to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of ser-
 vice to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel;
¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that
 your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced.
¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while,
 so that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but
 more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how
 much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you
 would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes
 you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this
 with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing
 me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit
 from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of
 your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even
 more than I say.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (page 102)

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

The holy gospel according to St. Luke.



²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

The gospel of the Lord.



Children’s Story Time

Sermon: Pastor Jimmy

Hymn of the Day
“Lift High the Cross” (Hymn #660)

Prayers of Intercession
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Peace



Offering

Offering Music: *Romanza* (R. Vaughan Williams)
Barry Jensen, tuba

Response: "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful" (Hymn #182)

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Dialog (music on page 107)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" (music on page 108)

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power 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.

Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer (page 112)

Communion

"Lamb of God" (page 112)

"O Bread of Life from Heaven" (Hymn #480)

Song after Communion

"Now, Lord" (page 113)

Prayer after Communion
Amen.



Sending Announcements

Blessing
Amen.

Dismissal
Thanks be to God.

Postlude
O Bread of Life from Heaven (arr. J. Brahms)

Worship Leaders	Today (9/05)	Next Week (9/12)
Acolytes	Creighton Jensen	Mariah Beckett Christopher Thiery
Assisting Ministers	Barry Jensen	Barry Jensen
Communion Assistants	Dorothy Robbins Tiffaney Gracia	Dorothy Robbins
Anointer	Linda Milchen	
Readers	Cheri Campbell	Dennis Mahilo
Sacristy	Sharon Kopronica Shari Webb	Sharon Kopronica Shari Webb
Ushers	Jeff St Aubin Steve Adams Matt Childers Phil Presutto	Bill Dillon, Greg Smith, Gerri Smith, Ken & Nita Abkemeier

THE FLOWERS FOR THIS WEEK are given to the Glory of God by Tom & Florence Hupman in celebration of their 44th anniversary; by Alan & Jackie Parsons in celebration of their 63rd anniversary; and by Dave & Donna Cullen in memory of Don Mead.

BULLETINS FOR THIS SUNDAY are donated in memory of Olive & Henry Forsberg.

VISITORS, WELCOME to worship at First Lutheran Church. Please commune with us. Believing in the real presence of Christ, we practice Eucharistic hospitality. All who have been admitted to communion in any Christian church are welcome to join us. Come down the center aisle, take an empty glass, kneel or stand at the first available place around the altar, and return to your pew by a side aisle.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND ANOINTING WITH OIL are being offered during the distribution of Holy Communion today.

PARENTS OF SMALL CHILDREN may use the narthex as a “cry room” when the children become noisy. A speaker there will allow you to still listen to the service.

TOMORROW IS LABOR DAY and the church office will be closed. Please note that the Stewardship Committee moved to Tues., Sept. 7th, and the Family Life/Youth moved to next Mon., Sept. 13th.

CHOIR REHEARSALS START this Thursday for handbells and adults, and next Sunday for children. All are welcome!

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 IS RALLY DAY. Special events are planned for Sunday School at 9:15am. At the 8:15am meditative worship service we will include a quieting/optional hymn during the distribution of the elements. At the 10:30am worship service we will be using the Gospel Setting with piano, saxophone, standard guitar and bass guitar.

CONCERT NEXT SUNDAY AT 3:00pm. There will be an organ concert at 3:00pm to celebrate the 40th anniversary of our pipe organ. Listen to an explanation about the organ’s genesis and inner workings as well as some of the music played for its dedication.

DID YOU KNOW that when a *New York Times* editor wrote a book about pipe organs in America, the first organ he discussed in the chapter titled “Back to the Future” is our organ? Find out what all the fuss is about next Sunday, 3:00pm.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE TRAINED TO USE THE DEFIBRILLATOR? You can sign up on the bulletin board.

JOIN AN ECUMENICAL SERVICE PROJECT on Sept. 25 that will benefit the Blessing House shelter for children. Sign up at: <http://ecumenical092510.eventbrite.com>.

More information about announcements is on the bulletin board by the church office

Last Week’s Attendance		Offerings From 7/1/10 – 8/1/10	
8:15 a.m.	70	Offerings:	\$22,620
10:30 a.m.	<u>96</u>	Expenses:	<u>-\$26,942</u>
TOTAL	166	Balance	- (\$ 4,322)
Y-T-D Avg.	173	Deficit for 2009/10	- (\$19,107)

Weekly Schedules

Bible Study	Mon.	6:00 p.m.	AIAnon	Wed.	8:00 p.m.
AA	Wed.	7:30 p.m.	TOPS Group	Thurs.	9:00 a.m.
Boy Scouts	Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anon.	Friday	8:00 p.m.
Yoga/Stretch	Mon./Wed.	5:30 p.m.	Yoga/Stretch	Sat.	8:30 a.m.

Also This Week (9/05)**No Blood Pressure Screens today**

DAY/DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sunday 9/05	8:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Meditative Worship Service Festive Worship Service
Monday 9/06	Labor Day	Holiday - Church Office Closed
Tuesday 9/07	9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Co-op Meeting Learning/ Stewardship
Wednesday 9/08	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Pantry Set-up Naomi SMG @ Brumenschenkel's
Thursday 9/09	10-12 Noon 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Pantry Day Choirs begin
Friday 9/10	12 Noon	Lunch Bunch Steering Committee
Sunday 9/12	8:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Meditative Worship Service Festive Worship Service Sunday School—RALLY DAY! Children's Choir 40th-Anniversary Organ Recital Catechism (Students & Parents)

BIRTHDAYS

9/05	Jennifer Rodriguez, Emily Brumenschenkel, Jaret Harrison
9/06	Judy Mays, Michael Koachway, Ava Forbes
9/07	Sarah Leon, Ava Dziak
9/08	Pat Bajcer, Jason Lunn, Carli Harrison
9/09	Jim Saegert, Maggie Hoffman, Neil Hamilton
9/10	Debbie Sutz, Karen Baker, Josh Minnich, Emma Hall
9/11	Neil Meyers, Jonah Kreger

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