

First
Evangelical
Lutheran
Church of
Redlands



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Each Member

Fifteenth Sunday
after Pentecost



September 18 2022

9:00 a.m.

Добро пожаловать! Witam Cię Bem-vinda أهلاً و سهلاً
 ברוך-הבא Bienvenue Tere tulemast خوش آمدید བུ་སྐྱོད་ལྟོ་ལོ་ Bienvenido
 सवागत हैं **Welcome** ยินดีต้อนรับ Karibu
 Ngiyakwemukela Hoş geldiniz Hoan nghênh
 Tere tulõmast Välkommen Ласкаво просимо Velkommen Zoo siab txais tos!
 Soo dhowow فارسی نالمنز لاسکاوو پروسیمو 환영합니다

At **First Evangelical Lutheran Church** 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!

You belong here!

This Week at First

Sunday 18	9:00 AM	Worship — Sanctuary
	10:20 AM	Congregational Mtg—Parish Hall
Wednesday 21	10:00 AM	COMIC Quilters—Fireside Room
Thursday 22	11:00 AM	Bible Study—Zoom
	3:30 PM	Youth Hope Meal Delivery
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
Saturday 24	7:00 PM	AA Care and Share — PH
Sunday 25	9:00 AM	Worship — Sanctuary
	10:20 AM	Worship Planning Mtg—Conf Rm

We are now live streaming our worship services.

Hearing Assist devices available from the sound booth.

Large Print Bulletins available in the Narthex

Welcome to Worship

Confession and Forgiveness

ELW pg. 94

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

Most merciful God,

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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" ELW 705

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion

bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969
 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

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.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn
 love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our
 minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in
 your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Special Music “Be Thou My Vision” -Arr. Forrest

Kevin Butler, David Griesemer, Mark Wolkenhauer

Lesson Amos 8:4-7 OT pg. 664

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah” ELW 172



Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Gospel Luke 16:1-13 NT pg. 60

The holy gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Pastor Woody Hall

Psalm 19:14

P: May the words of my mouth

C: And the meditations of each of our hearts

ALL: Be acceptable in your sight, our Rock and our Redeemer.

Hymn of the Day “Son of God, Eternal Savior” ELW 655



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,
 2 As you, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, so may we for oth - ers live.
 3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and Prince of peace;
 4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,



Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race,
 Free - ly have your gifts been grant - ed; free - ly may your ser - vants give.
 hush the storm of strife and pas - sion, bid its cru - el dis - cords cease.
 Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race:



you our head, who, throned in glo - ry, for your own will ev - er plead:
 Yours the gold and yours the sil - ver, yours the wealth of land and sea;
 By your pa - tient years of toil - ing, by your si - lent hours of pain,
 by your pray - ing, by your will - ing that your peo - ple should be one,



fill us with your love and pit - y, heal our wrong, and help our need.
 we but stew - ards of your boun - ty held in sol - emn trust will be.
 quench our fe - vered thirst of plea - sure, stem our self - ish greed of gain.
 grant, oh, grant our hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done.



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.

Prayers of Intercession

God of Grace,
Hear our prayer.

Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always,
And also with you.

Offertory "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" - arr., Peeters

Offertory Hymn "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful" ELW 184



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

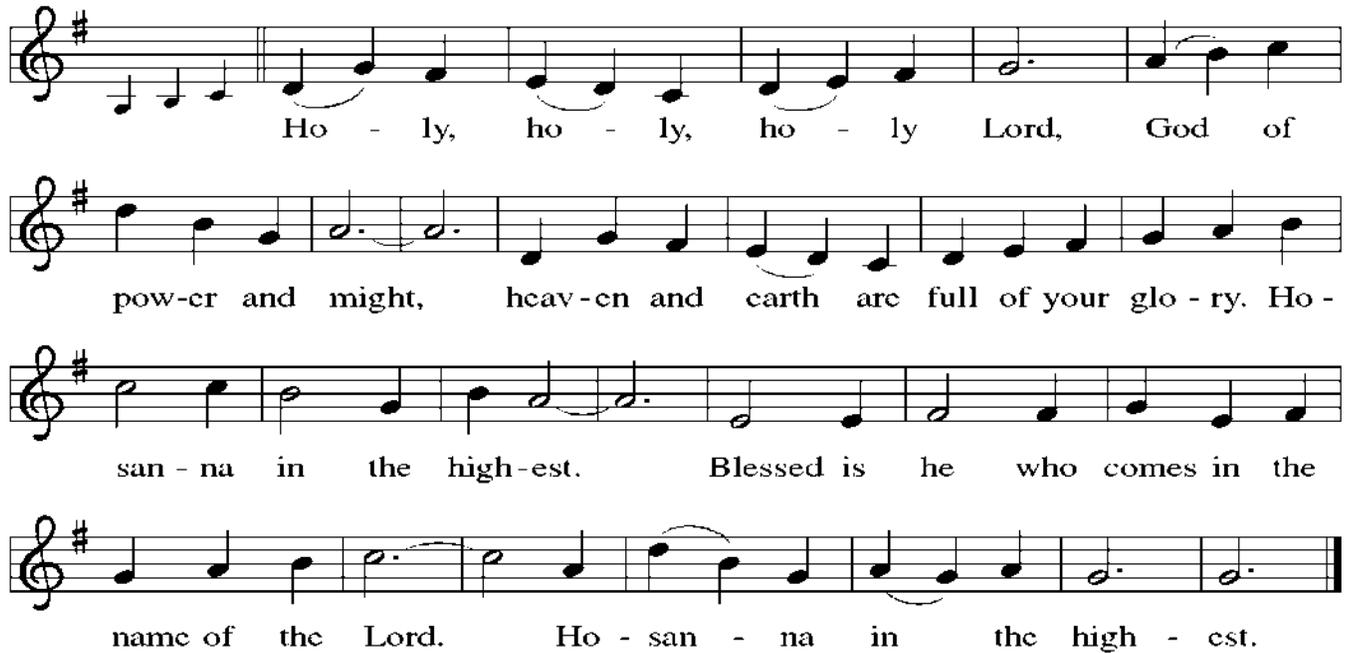
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, (... ..) we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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.

Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord's Prayer

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

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Come, taste and see, that the Lord is good (Psalm 34:8).

Please follow the directions of the ushers, forming a single line.

The Pastor will distribute the bread, and a communion assistant will offer your choice of red wine or white grape juice. You may dispose of your cup at the hand sanitizer station at the front of the side aisles. All are welcome.

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

Sending Hymn

“Rise Up, O Saints of God!”

ELW 669

1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;
2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;
3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;
4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;
5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;

Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.
as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.
re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.
stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.
and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Toccata on ‘Bryn Calfaria’”

- Butler

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Congregational Meeting

With the agreement of Bridge Pastor Elwood Hall,
Council is calling a *special congregational meeting*
for September 18, 2022, immediately following worship.
The purpose of the meeting is to share information
regarding our current financial situation
and seek advice on how we should move forward.

Sunday September 18		Next Sunday September 25
Nancy Griesemer Melanie Hendrickson	Altar Guild	Melanie Hendrickson Carol Smethers
** Needed	Acolyte	** Needed
Deborah Alg Debbie Olsen	Reader/ Communion Assist.	Debbie Olsen Kathy Aldrighetti
Griesemer Family	Greeter / Ushers	DeeAnn Grip
Erick Hendrickson	Sound / IT	Erick Hendrickson
Suzan Hall	Hospitality	** Needed
Kathy Aldrighetti	Security	** Needed

Kimberly Amin, Keyboardist ~ ~ Tamara Craver, Music Director

Erick Hendrickson, AV / Tech

Melanie Hendrickson, Admin Assistant

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Life in Christ

Church as a VERB – WORSHIP

Every Sunday we offer two ways to worship:

In person worship each Sunday at 9am.

*** We encourage you to use your best judgement in the wearing of a mask during worship so as to keep you and your neighbor safe.***

Please sign up as a Worship Assistant on the rolling cart. Pick the date and position that works best for you.

Online Worship is also available through our website at
www.firstlutheranredlands.org

We are now streaming our online services. You can watch it live at 9 am or anytime throughout the week on our YouTube Channel.

*** We want you to feel comfortable sharing in Holy Communion while worshipping online. As you prepare to worship, have bread or a cracker and wine, juice or water ready for use as the Great Thanksgiving begins.***

Choir is back! We rehearse on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm. New voices encouraged. All are welcome to join in the gift of music.

Blessing of the Pets Service on October 4 at 5:45 p.m. at the Humane Society in San Bernardino, 374 W. Orange Show Rd.

Pastor Woody has been conducting this service for many years in honor of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. All pets are welcome: furry, scaly, with feathers, large and small. The pets are welcome to bring their human companions for the service if they can behave. The service will be held inside and water will be provided for all participants.

Life in Christ

Church as a VERB – LEARN

Adult Forum will meet on Sunday October 3 following worship. Grab a cookie and a cup of coffee and join us in the Chapel at 10:20am. Good questions and conversation abound.

Thursday Morning Bible Study via zoom each week at 11:00 am. Pastor Ray will lead us in study of the weeks gospel. All are welcome. Zoom Meeting ID: 873 1032 5401 Passcode: 401510

Church as a VERB – PLAY

COMIC (Coat of Many Colors) Quilters We are working on some simple quilts for CCLM. Join us at one of our Wednesday meetings, or we can provide simple written instructions. Join us at 10:00 am on September 21.

First Mondays at First group will meet on October 3 at 10:30 am. Save the date for fellowship, fun, lunch, and games.

Church as a VERB – SERVE

Redlands Family Service We are collecting the following items this month in the Narthex: Pancake/Waffle Mix, jelly, syrup, ramen, individually packaged oatmeal, granola bars, pop-top tuna, pasta/rice-a-roni, hamburger helper, dry rice and beans.

Action teams will meet on Monday October 10 at 6pm. Light dinner followed by planning time. This is not a “blackhole committee” You can join for one event or several. Everyone is welcome to share in the life of this congregation as we Worship, Serve, Learn, and Play together!

Remember in prayer...

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

Those who mourn: Pastor Tony Scheer and family at the death of his wife Carol.

*+Rest eternal grant her, O Lord;
and let light perpetual shine upon her.+*

Healing and strength: friends of Carol Slater, the Benedict Family; friend of the Pace's, Nancy; friends of Jeanne Fortier, Sharon and Lori; the Barnes' grandson, Brandon and his family; the family of Tina Kundig's relative, Melvin; the family of DeeAnn Grip's friends, Morris and Pat; the sister-in-law of Karen Fredrickson, Traci; friends of BB Quinones, Bettye and Jennifer; friend of the Lehner's, LaDonna; grandson of the Griesemer's, Joshua.

Continuing prayers: Jim Lehner; Dianne Anderson; Roger Swenson; Donna Barnes; Wayne Barnhart; Scott Huseh; John McMunn; Jan Martus; Nancy Sturlaugson; Pastor Sam; Richard Thibedeau; Lynda Wandler; son of the Reinhardt's, Francis; friend of Karen Fredricksen, Spencer.

Our homebound: Loretta Sanders, Carlton Peterson; Arlene Coleman; Betty Frannea

- ✦ Presiding Bishop of the ELCA, Elizabeth Eaton, Bishop of the Pacifica Synod, Dave Nagler.
- ✦ This congregation during this time of transition, the Call Committee, and the pastor God is preparing for this congregation.
- ✦ Students struggling with loneliness, hopelessness, and depression.
- ✦ 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. ***