

First
Evangelical
Lutheran
Church of
Redlands



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Each Member

Sixteenth Sunday
after Pentecost



September 25 2022

9:00 a.m.

Добро пожаловать! Witam Cię Bem-vinda أهلاً وسهلاً
 ברוך-הבא Bienvenue Tere tulemast خوش آمدید བུ་སྐྱོད་ལྟོ་བློ་ལྟོ་བློ་ Bienvenido
 सवागत हैं **Welcome** ยินดีต้อนรับ Karibu
 Ngiyakwemukela Hoş geldiniz Hoan nghênh
 Tere tulõmast Välkommen Ласкаво просимо Velkommen Zoo siab txais tos!
 Soo dhowow فارسي نالمنز لاسکاوو پرسیمو 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 25	9:00 AM	Worship — Sanctuary
	10:20 AM	Worship Planning Mtg—Conf Rm
Wednesday 28	10:00 AM	COMIC Quilters—Fireside Room
	3:00 PM	Youth Hope Meal Delivey
Thursday 29	11:00 AM	Bible Study—Zoom
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
Saturday 1	7:00 PM	AA Care and Share — PH
Sunday 2	9:00 AM	Worship — Sanctuary
	10:20 AM	Adult Forum—Chapel
	12:00 PM	CCLM Meal Prep and Delivery

We are now live streaming our worship services.

Hearing Assist devices available from the sound booth.

Large Print Bulletins available in the Narthex

Prelude

“Prelude on ‘Slane’”

- arr., G. Young

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

“What Is This Place”

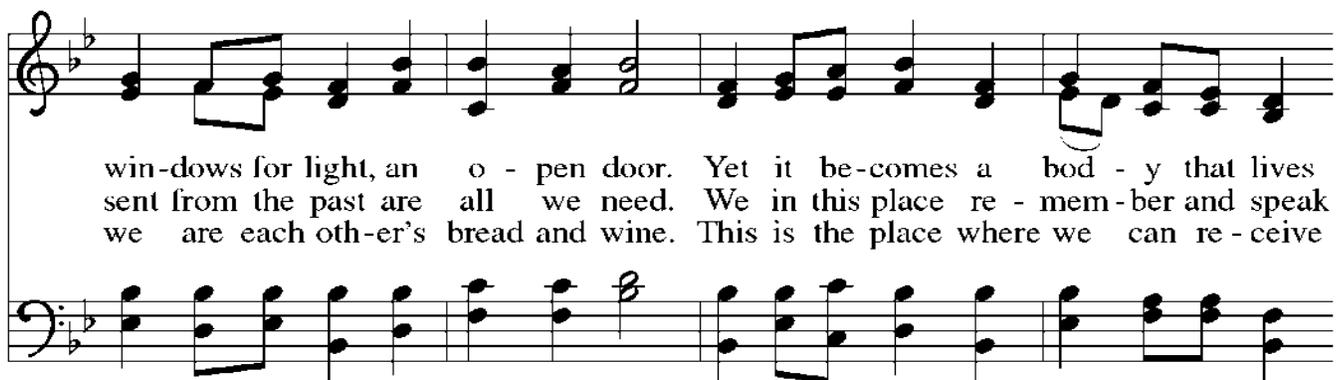
ELW 524



1 What is this place where we are meet - ing? On - ly a house, the
 2 Words from a - far, stars that are fall - ing, sparks that are sown in
 3 And we ac - cept bread at this ta - ble, bro - ken and shared, a



earth its floor. Walls and a roof shel - ter - ing peo - ple,
 us like seed: names for our God, dreams, signs and won - ders
 liv - ing sign. Here in this world, dy - ing and liv - ing,



win - dows for light, an o - pen door. Yet it be - comes a bod - y that lives
 sent from the past are all we need. We in this place re - mem - ber and speak
 we are each oth - er's bread and wine. This is the place where we can re - ceive

when we are gath - ered here, and know our God is near.
 a - gain what we have heard: God's free re - deem - ing word.
 what we need to in - crease: our jus - tice and God's peace.

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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.
 O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this
 troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the
 treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our
 Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Special Music “Lord, Fill My Heart With Thankfulness”

- Stephen Kramer,
 arr. Walter Krueger

Chancel Choir

Lesson

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

OT pg. 662-663

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 16:19-311-13

NT pg. 61

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 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

ELW

1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
 2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.
 3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you

re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
 I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.

I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
 Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
 but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.
 now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.
 oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

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

“Refresh My Heart, O God”

- Powell

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



bles-sing. 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 "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

ELW 547



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



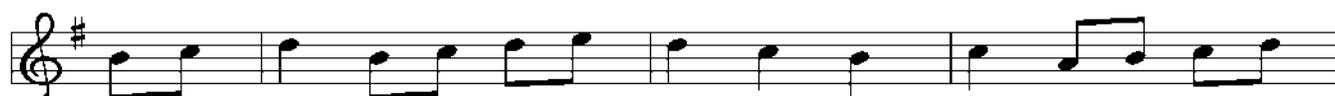
the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed
our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls
With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to give work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.
hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sunday September 25		Next Sunday October 2
Melanie Hendrickson Nancy Griesemer	Altar Guild	Diane Brown Carol Smethers
** Needed	Acolyte	** Needed
Melanie Hendrickson Kathy Aldrighetti	Reader/ Communion Assist.	Theron Pace Jeanne Fortier
DeeAnn Grip	Greeter/Ushers	Julie and David Garcia
Erick Hendrickson	Sound/IT	Erick Hendrickson
** Needed	Hospitality	Debby Westen
** Needed	Security	Karen Fredricksen

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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.***

Online Worship is also available through our website at

www.firstlutheranredlands.org

We stream 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.

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 at 10 am. We meet again on October 5.

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

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 – SERVE

Blood Drive at Redlands Community Hospital on Tuesday, October 4. Make your appointment today at www.lstream.org

Redlands Family Service We continue to collect shelf stable food for those in our community most in need.

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!

Lutheran Disaster Response—Over the past weeks, several disasters made the news. Here are some of the biggest ones: **Puerto Rico and the Caribbean**, Hurricane Fiona; **Alaska**, the remnants of Typhoon Merbok have caused widespread flooding; **Japan**, Typhoon Nanmadol with wind gusts of over 145 mph and heavy rainfall; **Papua New Guinea**, a 7.7 magnitude earthquake hit on Sep. 11; **Pakistan**, the summer monsoon flooding is causing a widespread humanitarian crisis. Your donation through First Lutheran (“disaster” in the memo line) will go 100% to help those in these and other disasters around 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:

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: friend of the Barnes', Larry; friends of Carol Slater, the Benedict Family; friend of the Pace's, Nancy; friends of the Lehner's, LaDonna, Karen, and Bob.

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 Reinhards, 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.
- ✦ 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. ***

**** CCLM has an urgent need for disposable razors, shaving cream, toothpaste and brushes, and other toiletries. If you can donate please bring to the church office and we will get items to them as quickly as possible. ****