



**First Evangelical Lutheran Church and School**  
 ~ Lutheran Church Missouri Synod ~  
 "Sharing Christ, Changing Lives"

**AS WE GATHER**

In adversity and blessing, we belong to the Lord. Joseph became an emissary of God's mercy despite His brothers' evil intent. As we navigate and process quarrels, judgements, and opinions, human adversity distorts our life with Christ. We belong to Him as we strive to live. We belong to Him as we prepare to die. Christ resolves adversity from His heart, resolving disputes with wisdom, love, and forgiveness. This, too, is our blessing to receive and to share.

**Sunday, September 13, 2020 | Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** Divine Service, Setting 3, Page 184     **ORGANIST:** Robin Kruse

**HYMNS**

**8:00 AM** #814, 606, 867, 851

**10:30 AM** #814, 606, 867, [866, 864, 620], 851

**BIBLE READINGS**

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 50:15-21

Epistle Reading: Romans 14:1-12

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:21-35

**SERMON**

"What Kind of a Church Are We?"

Matthew 18: 21-35 ~ Pastor Dan Welch

**DEACONS**

**8:00 AM** – Don Hepner / Dave Sell

**10:30 AM** – Brian Schuch / Rich Jannusch

**CABLE TV, CHANNEL 10:** Wednesdays 6:30 PM | Fridays 5:30 PM

**INCLUDED IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

-- Arlene Raduenz, Steve Bargmann, Bruce Donnay, Troy Jenneke, Sam Reith (friend of Pastor & Melissa Adelsen), Virgil Schauer, Deanna Scott (Sister of Denise Busse)

-- Sawyer Jon Rose son of Jonathan & Janessa Rose, whom we welcomed into God's family here at First Lutheran through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in a private service on Saturday, September 12th. May God bless you and keep you in the palm of His hand!

-- The family and friends of Gilbert "Bud" Soeffker whose celebration of life was here at First Lutheran on Saturday, September 12th at 2:00 PM. Blessed are those that die in the Lord!

**HOLY COMMUNION:** GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS are available at all services of Holy Communion for those in need of them. Please see a Pastor or a Deacon before the service to let them know of your request. "NON-ALCOHOLIC" WINE is available at all services of Holy Communion. These are the lighter colored cups in the center of the communion tray.

**STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE:** Romans 14:7 – "For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself." We just don't belong to ourselves. We belong first of all to God, and, through Him, we belong to our neighbors. We are here to serve God in our service to one another. God has called you to this service through your vocation. As a Christian, you serve others in the church; as a neighbor, you serve others in society; and as a son or daughter, husband or wife, father, or mother, you serve your family.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 | 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM**

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Ways to Give:

1. Give on-line via: [www.firstglencoe.org](http://www.firstglencoe.org)
2. Give Plus Church -- Mobile App (download the app and search for First Lutheran)
3. Text \$ (your \$ amount) and "Give" to 855-976-6919 (The first time you use this option, you will be asked for setup info)

Also, you may also mail it to 925 13th St. E... THANK YOU for your support!



**8 FOOT BANQUET TABLES AVAILABLE:** First Lutheran School has eight "heavy-duty" banquet tables available for a free will donation. The tables measure 30" x 8' and are very sturdy. If you're interested, please contact Dean Scheele at the school office.

**ALTAR GUILD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Altar guild is looking for you! Our group welcomes all new volunteers. All members help one month a year. Training is always available. Our next meeting is scheduled for September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:00 PM. Please consider joining us. If you have any questions, please contact Deb Tessmer or the church office. Thank you!

**AUDIOFETCH:** We have an option available to hear/listen at our church services more clearly and easily. "Audiofetch" is an app that transmits the audio of our services to your hearing aid or smartphone/tablet via a Bluetooth connection. Pick up a card with barcode info that you can scan or visit your app store. Stop by or call the church office for assistance.

**CALLED.EQUIPPED.SENT:** Lutheran Hour Ministries offers equipping resources to help you reach out with the love and Good News of Jesus Christ in your everyday lives. Check out the new courses in the LHM Learning Library. These online courses and webinars will cover five faith-strengthening categories and use an array of multimedia elements to help you gain a hearing for the Gospel message. You can find information about the Learning Library here: <https://www.lhm.org/learn/>

**CHRISTIAN BOOK STUDY:** Beginning this Fall, Pastor Adelsen will lead a study on C.S. Lewis' Mere Christianity, which is one of the most popular books on Christian doctrine ever written. The study will also conclude last year's book Embracing Godly Character by Kenneth Kremer. Stay tuned for more information when the Christian Book Study resumes. For more information, please contact Pastor Adelsen.

**CONFIRMATION:** At the mandatory Parent/Student Teacher Meeting on Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM, it was voted to hold confirmation classes on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:45 PM. Classes begin THIS Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.

**FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY:** Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University (FPU) will return this Fall! Living the life of your dreams starts with a solid financial plan. Join First Ev. Lutheran Church's virtual FPU class and learn to dump debt to build wealth and give! The class will meet virtually via Zoom. To sign up, visit [fpu.com/1121286](http://fpu.com/1121286) or see Pastor Adelsen. The first 14-days of FPU are free! Classes begin at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.

**FLAMES OF FAITH:** Kids club is the before and after school program at First Lutheran School. The program is designed for children ages 5 – 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Your child does not have to be a member of FLS to participate. Our program director is Nancy Ahlers. For more information or to register, contact Nancy at [flamesoffaith2015@gmail.com](mailto:flamesoffaith2015@gmail.com) or 320-510-0905.

**FLS MARATHON:** The nonpublic school marathon is taking place on Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:30 PM. Everyone from FLC, FLS, and the greater Glencoe community is invited to join us as we raise funds and walk from FLS to Oak Leaf Park for an afternoon of fun, snacks, and games! Please prayerfully consider donating to this important mission endeavor!

**FUN & THE SON:** Students in Kindergarten - 3rd grade are invited to join us for youth group on Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> beginning after school until 4:30 PM. There will be music, games, snack, and bible stories!

**GARDEN BOUNTY:** If you have extra garden produce to share, or if you would like some, please drop off or pick up at the table located at the south entrance of church. Any leftovers will be donated to the McLeod County Food Shelf. Thank you!

**INSTALLATION OF FLS TEACHERS FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR:** This morning before the Prayer of the Church at the 10:30 AM service the Teachers of First Lutheran School will be officially installed for the 2020-2021 School Year. God's Blessings to our educators! (Note: The teachers of Sunday School and Confirmation Classes will be installed at a later date.)

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** The Nominating Committee continues working to fill board positions. Please prayerfully consider sharing your time and talents with our congregation.

**QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETING:** A Quarterly Voters' Assembly Meeting will be held on Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Church Fellowship Center. All First Ev. Lutheran Church members age 18 and older are encouraged to attend. Among

other business, the annual report will be presented, and the Officers Slate of Candidates and the Board's Slate of Appointees will be approved. This is an opportunity for our congregation members to be heard, please prayerfully consider attending this and all Voters' Assemblies. YOU, the "Voters" have the final say after recommendations come through the Boards and Church Council. **STREET ASSESSMENT CAMPAIGN:** THANK YOU to all who have contributed funds so far...To date, we have received roughly \$67,185. Please continue to prayerfully consider contributing.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES:** Near the fellowship center you will see a tall spinning display! Three of the sides have the next 3 weeks of Sunday school lessons, and the fourth side has schedules for Fun & The Son (k-3rd grade), Tweens (4th-7th grade), and IMPACT (8th-12th grade). If you have any questions email: [tkidd@firstglencoe.org](mailto:tkidd@firstglencoe.org)

**THANK YOU:** We'd like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Kevin Cohrs for the use of his man lift. Gary Schauer was seen utilizing it for various projects around FLS & FLC. In addition, we'd like to express our sincere gratitude to Denis Luedtke & Family for painting the bike rack at FLS. With school back in session, students are regularly utilizing the bike rack.

**THRIVENT CHOICE \$ PROGRAM:** In September, we received \$476 for FLC and \$505 for FLS from the Thrivent Choice \$ program. Thank you, Thrivent members!

**TWEENS:** Students in 4th - 7th grade are invited to join us for youth group on Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> beginning after school until 5pm. There will be games, snacks, and bible stories. If you have any questions, contact [tkidd@firstglencoe.org](mailto:tkidd@firstglencoe.org). All are welcome to attend!

**YOU ARE INVITED TO LISTEN:** Lutheran Hour broadcast is heard each week on KDUZ 1260 AM Radio. This week Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler will share "Fireplace Spirituality". Our relationship with God is not something to "set and forget" like a thermostat. (Acts 2:37-47)

**Measure of Our Stewardship:**

**Budgetary Needs = Total budget divided by 52. The General Fund Receipts include Friday through Thursday receipts. These amounts are not reconciled to any bank statement at the time of this publication.**

**GENERAL FUND INCOME 09/04/20 – 09/09/20**

General Fund Income \$ 16,024  
Weekly Budgetary Needs \$ 21,056  
\$ (5,032)

**Attendance 09/06/2020**

Sunday Worship Total: 151  
Communed: 74  
Visitors: 3

**2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR TOTALS**

Receipts = \$ 252,419.84 Disbursements = \$ 237,943.86

**Total Indebtedness as of 9-9-20 (including prior years) is \$(154,598.54)**

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