

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday: 1 Samuel 10:1-27, Acts 22:17-29
Monday: 1 Samuel 12:1-25, Acts 22:30—23:11
Tuesday: 1 Samuel 13:1-18, Acts 23:12-35
Wednesday: 1 Samuel 14:47—15:9, Acts 24:1-23
Thursday: 1 Samuel 15:10-35, Acts 24:24—25:12
Friday: 1 Samuel 16:1-23, Acts 25:13-27
Saturday: 1 Samuel 17:1-19, Acts 26:1-23
Sunday: 1 Samuel 17:20-47, Acts 26:24—27:8

(Jesus answered) "So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Matthew 13:49-50, ESV.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

July 26 – Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Matthew 13:45–46

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it."

Indeed, Jesus redeemed us, purchased us back from sin and death, with all that He had. We belong to Him now. Our generosity ought to imitate the out-sized generosity of Jesus.

ATTENDANCE	06/28	07/05	07/12	07/19
Worship Total	178	182	492	209
Communed	56	94	x	90
Visitors	4	2	many	5
Bible Study	20	21	x	24

Stewardship Message about Our Giving

from Lutheran Service Book #781
"We Give Thee but Thine Own"
(Stanza 1)

**We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**



\$40,000 GIFT MATCHING

Ways to Give:

Please note: Matching gifts are
to supplement, not replace,
regular offerings.

☐ On your regular offering envelope, write your normal gift amount as usual, then add your extra matching gift on the "other" line and label it "match."
☐ Drop off your donation in the church office.

☐ Give online at firstglencoe.org
→ Click "Giving" → enter the online portal and select the **\$40K Match** option.

Let's reach the full **\$40,000 match** so our combined giving becomes **\$80,000** to strengthen our general fund and support our ministry.

*Thank you for your generosity
in meeting this goal!*

E-Giving for Members and Visitors

We thank all givers for supporting our mission with your gifts. For those who choose to give electronically, in just seconds you can make a donation. It allows you to give anytime and anywhere and donate to your favorite funds.

Ways to e-Give and make your gifts recurring:

1. Give on-line via: www.firstglencoe.org
2. Vanco Mobile Faith – Download from the app store and search for First Ev. Lutheran.
3. Text \$ (your \$ amount) and "Give" to 855-976-9619.
4. Use the QR Code. It is provided to the left.



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Time for Some Encouragement

Matthew 13: 44 - 52



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 26, 2026
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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Divine Service: Setting 4, Page 203

AS WE GATHER: The people of God are treasured possessions, chosen and loved for all eternity. God's divine, amazing grace embraces the predestined, the justified, the glorified. God's divine deliverance rescues from tribulation, persecution, danger, and death. Anything that would separate us from the love of God in Christ is rendered completely powerless! God's people, made righteous by Him, will live forever as citizens in the kingdom of heaven.

HYMNS:

8:00 AM #651, 728, 649, 644

10:30 AM #651, 728, 649, [732, 624, 746], 644

BIBLE READINGS:

Old Testament ~ Deuteronomy 7: 6 - 9

Epistle Reading ~ Romans 8: 28 - 39

Gospel Reading ~ Matthew 13: 44 - 52

Psalm 125; antiphon: v. 2

SERMON: Pastor Dan Welch

"Time for Some Encouragement" ~ Mt. 13: 44 – 52

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Altar Guild

CABLE TV, CHANNEL 10

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. & Fridays, 5:30 p.m.

ORGANIST: Mr. Rick Grieger

DEACONS: 8:00 AM ~ David Polzin, Lars Ide

10:30 AM ~ Dan Nikolaisen, Tyler Mielke

ACOLYTES: 8:00 AM ~ Piper Polzin, Lily Roush

10:30 AM ~ Brooklyn Grochow

SOUND SYSTEM: 8:00 AM ~ Kevin Cohrs

10:30 AM ~ Tyler Schauer

CAMERA: (either) ~ Linda Ranzau

FACEBOOK LIVE:

SCREENS: 8:00 AM ~ Gemma Goff

10:30 AM ~ OPEN

GREETERS: 8:00 AM ~ Mason Ortloff

10:30 AM ~ OPEN

Thank You, Everyone, for Sharing Your Time, Talents, and Treasures with First Lutheran!

Included In Our Prayers This Week:

-- Charlie (Grandson of Roger and Mary Gronholz), Melissa Bolek (Aunt of Pastor Ewert), Marjorie Duenow, Amy Edmison, Howard Hoecke, Shirley Krienke, Marjorie Litzau, Kali Marshall (11-year-old daughter of Angela Templin-Marshall and Tony Marshall, Laurie Meyer (Twin Sister of Linda Donnay), Bonnie Mueller (Friend of Linda Edmison) who has Stage 4 Cancer), Judy Rickheim, Sally Schmulke, Braelynn Schrunck (Great-Granddaughter of Gayle Schwarze) who has leukemia, Matt Solmonson (Son-in-law of DeLue & Mary Grams) who has Stage 4 Melanoma, Nathan Ward (Brother-in-law to Beth Ward) who has cancer, Dawn Wolter

Please Also Include in Your Prayers:

On Sunday morning July 12th, the Voters' Assembly of Faith Lutheran Church in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin issued a Divine Call for me to be their next sole Pastor. What this means is that I am to prayerfully consider where I believe the Lord is leading me, either to go and serve them as their pastor or to continue in my role here as your Senior Pastor. Through a letter I informed the congregation of Faith Lutheran that I would announce my decision to them and to you, the members of First Ev. Lutheran Church of Glencoe, on Sunday, August 2nd. In the meantime, I humbly ask for your prayers for my discernment and any words of encouragement you may have for me. Yours in Christ, Pastor Dan Welch

Sunday, July 26 9th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 AM – Divine Service

9:00 AM – Fellowship Time

9:15 AM – Adult Bible Class

10:30 AM – Divine Service with Communion

2:30 PM – Grand Meadows

Monday, July 27

1:00 PM – Quilt Tying

Tuesday, July 28

10:30 AM - GlenFields

1:30 PM – Mat Makers

7:00 PM – Way of Life Young Adult Bible Study

Wednesday, July 29

9:00 AM – Lectionary Study

10:00 AM – Staff Meeting

Friday, July 31

Funeral for Ruby Streich at Funeral Home

Sunday, August 2 10th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 AM – Divine Service with Communion

9:00 AM – Fellowship Time

9:15 AM – Adult Bible Class

10:30 AM – Divine Service

Each day, 1:50 p.m., "Congregation in Prayer."

MAT-MAKERS, THIS TUE., JULY 28, 1:30 PM

Devotions: Hebrews 10:24-25 "Meeting Together." The camp where our mats are used, along with all the homeless camps in St. Paul, will be bulldozed this Summer with no concrete plans or housing available for the residents. They will scatter. See the newsletter [for more details.](#)

EXTRA GARDEN PRODUCE

Gardeners are invited to bring in extra produce to share if desired. There is a table available outside of the church office. Members are invited to check out the produce table and take some produce home if you would like. Left-over garden items will be taken to the food shelf.

HEARTFELT, TREMENDOUS THANK YOU!

Thank you to Everyone and All Organizations who worked hard and faithfully to make our 150th Anniversary a wonderful success! Thank you to all the volunteers, guests, members, vocalists, instrumentalists, and those who worked with the dinner! It truly takes all of us coming together to make everything work! We especially thank Rev. Vue Lee for his message! **To God Alone the Glory!**

150TH CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS

If you would like to submit a prayer for the congregation, paper and basket are available outside of the church office to submit a request.

150TH ANNIVERSARY CROSSES

There are 150th Anniversary Crosses available for whoever would like one. They can be found outside of the church office and by the west-side entrance to the sanctuary.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

July 26th, Nurturing Your Faith: Journey Out of The Rat Race – Session 4 (of 4)

This Lutheran Hour Ministries Bible Study considers life's pace and demands, and how to manage them using God's Word and thoughtful strategies.

You wake up exhausted. The alarm feels like an enemy. You rush through breakfast, answer emails before finishing your coffee, and the day begins—meetings, deadlines, obligations, more meetings. You think, "After this week things will slow down." But they never do. When someone asks, "How are you?" you answer with one word: "Busy."

Welcome to the "rat race," where productivity is king, worth is measured by output, and rest feels like failure. We've flattened our lives into one long continuum with a single goal: produce more. And we suspect our worth depends on how well we perform—because our status and financial security certainly do.

In this morning's Bible study, we discover that when the rat race overwhelms us, we can step out (literally and figuratively) to enjoy God's beautiful creation and listen for that still small voice reminding us of His glory. **This is His invitation out of the rat race. Come and join us at 9:15 in the Fellowship Center!**

BUSINESS MANAGER RECRUITMENT

We are looking to hire our next Business Manager. Ideally, our candidate will be a member of First Lutheran. Your help is requested:

- Talk to members whom you think might be a good candidate
- Share those names with the church office
- Contact the church office if **you** are interested and to obtain a copy of the job description
- Prayerfully consider this position and include the filling of this position with God's optimal candidate, in your prayers

We are looking for a committed follower of Jesus who demonstrates strong financial acumen, has background and experience in business/or finance, and administrative skills to assist our Boards and other team members.

