

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday; 2 Chronicles 32:1-22, (Hosea 1:1—14:9) Colossians 1:1-23
Monday; 2 Chronicles 33:1-25, (Jonah 1:1—4:11) Col. 1:24—2:7
Tuesday; 2 Chronicles 34:1-33, (Nahum 1:1—3:19) Colossians 2:8-23
Wednesday; 2 Chronicles 35:1-25, (Zephaniah 1:1—3:20) Col. 3:1-25
Thursday; 2 Chronicles 36:1-23, (Philemon 1-25) Colossians 4:1-18
Friday; Nehemiah 1:1—2:10, (Haggai 1:1—2:23) 1 Timothy 1:1-20
Saturday; Nehemiah 2:11—4:6, 1 Timothy 2:1-15
Sunday; Nehemiah 4:7-23, 1 Timothy 3:1-16
Then Peter came up and said to him, “Lord how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.” *Matthew 18:21-22 ESV.*

ATTENDANCE 08/16 08/23 08/30 09/06

Worship Total	233	199	242	193
Communed	107	67	194	106
Visitors	3	4	11	0
Bible Study	33	20	30	19



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.



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.

Temporarily Assisting in the Business Manager Position

Sheila Scheele will be in the Business Office Monday through Friday from 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Sara Wegner is also assisting. Please call the church office with any financial related questions.

from Lutheran Service Book #781
“We Give Thee but Thine Own” (stz. 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.**

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(We have both volunteers and paid financial advisers filling the vacancy.)

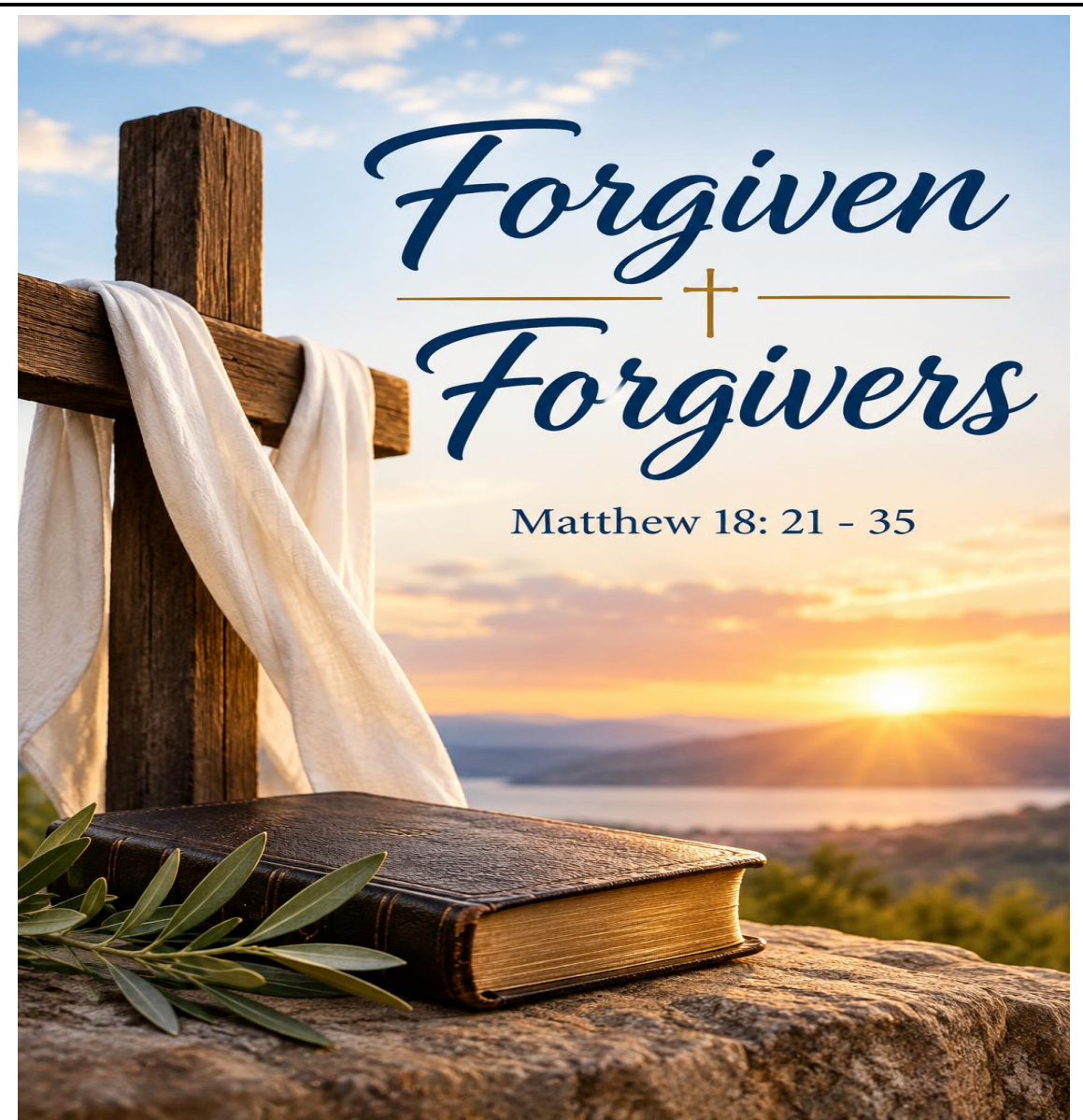
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Forgiven + Forgivers

Matthew 18: 21 - 35

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 13, 2026

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Heritage Sunday and Education Sunday

Sunday, September 13, 2026
Divine Service: Setting 3, Page 184

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, judgments, 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.

HYMNS:
8:00 AM # 814, 606, 867, 851, 805
10:30 AM # 814, 606, 867, [864, 865, 863, 814], 851, 805

BIBLE READINGS:
Old Testament ~ Genesis 50: 15 - 21
Epistle Reading ~ Romans 14: 1 - 12
Gospel Reading ~ Matthew 18: 21 - 35
Introit ~ Psalm 143: 1 - 2; antiphon: v. 9

SERMON: "Forgiven Forgivers" Matt. 18: 21 - 35
Pastor Dan Welch

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Day School Board

CABLE TV, CHANNEL 10
Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. & Fridays, 5:30 p.m.

Please see the Special Church Notices for Today found in the bulletin insert.

ORGANIST: Mr. Paul Otte

DEACONS: 8:00 AM ~ Mike Cisewski, Doug Dahlke
10:30 AM ~ Justin Petterson, Lars Ide

ACOLYTES: 8:00 AM ~ Piper Polzin, Brooklyn Grochow
10:30 AM ~ Emerson Edwards, Matthew Iddings

SOUND SYSTEM: 8:00 AM ~ Kevin Cohrs
10:30 AM ~ Grady Schuff

CAMERA: (either) ~ Robert Schuff

FACEBOOK LIVE: ~ OPEN

SCREENS: 8:00 AM ~ Willa Pozin
10:30 AM ~ Annabelle Freberg

GREETERS: 8:00 AM ~ Emme Neubarth, Lina Oelfke
10:30 AM ~ Lina Oelfke, Griffin Bargmann

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

Included In Our Prayers This Week:

- Teachers, Aides, and Volunteers who serve the Lord by telling His children of the love of Jesus and instructing them in the truths of the Bible and God's Word
- Baptismal Blessings for Ezra Gilbert Hoffmann, son of Cullen and Mackenzie (Thiesfeld) Hoffmann. Baptism for Ezra is at the 10:30 a.m. May God keep Ezra close as he grows in the grace and knowledge of his dear Shepherd.
- Atticus Aldrich (two-year-old grandson of Teresa Brelje's cousin) who was diagnosed with high risk Neuroblastoma), Melissa Bolek (Aunt of Pastor Ewert) who now has brain cancer, Marjorie Duenow, Amy Edmison, Bob Hollowell (Father of Megan Polzin), Howard Hoecke, Shirley Krienke, Kali Marshall, Laurie Meyer (Twin Sister of Linda Donnay), Bonnie Mueller (Friend of Linda Edmison) who has Stage 4 Cancer, Judy Rickheim, Sally Schmulske, Braelynn Schrunk (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 of Beth Ward) who is waiting for a suitable bone marrow match

Sunday, September 13 16th Sunday after Pentecost
HERITAGE SUNDAY and EDUCATION SUNDAY
8:00 AM – Divine Service
9:00 AM – Fellowship Hour: Day School
9:15 AM – Adult Bible Class
10:30 AM – Divine Service with Communion
♥ Baptism of Ezra Gilbert Hoffmann
🎵 First Lutheran School Choir sings
♦ Installation of First Lutheran Teachers, Aides, & Volunteers

Monday, September 14
1:00 PM – Quilt Tying
1:30 PM – Lutheran Women in Mission
6:00 PM – Christian Ed.
7:00 PM – Quarterly Altar Guild Meeting
Tuesday, September 15
9:00 AM – Women's Bible Study
3 to 6 PM – Gerten's Mum Order Pick-up
7:00 PM – Men's and Women's Bible Studies

Wednesday, September 16
First Lutheran School Picture Day
9:00 AM – Lectionary Study
10:00 AM – Office Staff Meeting
1:50 PM – Congregation in Prayer
3:30 to 4:45 PM – Public School Catechism
6:00 PM – FLS Parent Information Night
Thursday, September 17
8:10 AM – Chapel (Pastor Michael Ewert)
7:00 PM – Church Council

Saturday, September 19
First Lutheran School Golf Tournament
Sunday, September 20 17th Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 AM – Divine Service with Communion
9:00 AM – Fellowship Hour
9:15 AM – Education Hour
1st Day of Sunday School
10:30 AM – Divine Service

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

SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Thank you for being with us here today! Please stop by one of the Welcome Centers on your way out. We have gift bags for all ages!

SPECIAL THANK YOU

Thank you to the First Lutheran School Choir and Choir Director Mrs. Cindy Eng for providing Special Music at the 10:30 a.m. service today!

CHILDREN IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

Located at the sanctuary entrances, there are English and Spanish Children's Bibles, Noah's Ark busy bags (actually, backpacks), and a sensory bag (puzzle backpack). You are invited to use these, as well as the Children's Bulletins, Devotional Books, and Children's Pew Cards.

Sunday Morning Bible Studies

9:15 a.m., Church Fellowship Center

CURRENT BIBLE STUDY...
Two Kingdoms, One King

"Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven." ~Matthew 6:10

Explore what it means to live faithfully as citizens of both our earthly nation and God's heavenly kingdom.

COMING SOON...
Your New Money Mindset

This series of sermons and Bible classes lays out a countercultural and biblical approach to managing our relationship with money. It makes a compelling case that being wise and generous with money leads to greater joy, less worry, and a world more the way God intends it. Our New Money Mindset will help us break the persistent desire for more in our consumer-driven society and ask us to reach for something better - a peace that we have enough, enough for ourselves and enough to share.

The Sermon Lineup is as follows:

Week 1 (Sept. 20): A Satisfied Mindset
Week 2 (Sept. 27): A Steward's Mindset
Week 3 (Oct. 4): A Servant's Mindset

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study plans are as follows:

Week 1 (Sept. 20): Overcoming Consumerism
Week 2 (Sept. 27): Why Does God Give Money?
Week 3 (Oct. 4): Biblical Truths
about Managing Money

New Membership Classes

Mondays, Sept. 21 to Oct. 26, from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in joining First Lutheran Church, **we are beginning new membership classes on Mon, Sept. 21.** "Basic Bible Teachings: An Introduction to the Lutheran Faith" is the name of the new, easy-to-understand, and highly visual resource we will be using. If interested, please call or email the church office at 864-5522 or office@1stglencoe.org.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE 16th Sunday after Pentecost

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.

New Church Directories

Friendly Reminder – if you had you picture taken for the directory, you make pick up your copy in the church office Monday to Friday, between 8 AM to 4 PM If you would like to purchase one for \$20, please contact the church office.

There are extra copies available.



A NEW Matching Gift Opportunity! (repeated announcement)

Earlier this summer an anonymous donor generously pledged to match every added gift made to First Ev. Lutheran Church through a special campaign, up to \$40,000. Thanks be to God, and the generosity of members, this goal was achieved.

In light of this recent campaign, and in hopes of encouraging ongoing generosity, another generous donor has come forward with a new matching challenge of up to \$8,000.

What this means is that your donation will go twice as far during this special opportunity. A \$5 gift becomes \$10, a \$150 gift becomes \$300, a \$1,000 gift becomes \$2,000—every eligible donation is doubled until the full matching amount is reached. (Please note: Match gifts are to supplement, not replace, regular offerings. Your regular weekly/monthly giving is not included for the matching funds.)

Ways to Give

- On your regular offering envelope, write your normal gift amount as usual, then add your extra match gift on the “other” line and label it “match.”
- You may also either drop off your specially marked donation in the church office or send it through the mail to the church office.



Let’s reach the full \$8,000 match so our combined giving becomes \$16,000 to strengthen our general fund and support our ministry. Thank you for your generosity and partnership in meeting this goal. This matching challenge will end after Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 26th.

Additional Opportunities to Share Your Time, Talents, & Treasures

1 – Donate a Salad or Dessert for the Annual Salad Luncheon.

2 – Share a Nativity for the “Nativities on Display” on Sat., Dec. 12.

3 – Donate items for the Annual Christmas Bake and Craft Sale.

4 – Be a Sunday School Assistant (particularly Grades 1 to 4 class).

5 – Lead Sunday School Music: as often and at the time of your choosing.

6 – Donate monetary gifts to “Quilts of Valor” and / or offer names of First Lutheran veterans to receive a quilt.

7 – Donate candy for Trunk or Treat on Sat., October 24.

8 – Donate Christmas cards for Giving Tuesday.

Please contact the church office at 864-5522 if interested in any of the above ways to serve God and His people. Thank you for showing Christ’s Love through your Sharing.



First Lutheran Church & School Events



LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION

Lutheran Women in Mission will begin meeting again Monday, September 14 at 1:30 p.m. (Normally we meet the 1st Mondays of the month.) All women are invited to join us.



SEPTEMBER QUARTERLY ALTAR GUILD MEETING

The Mary Martha Altar Guild will hold their Quarterly Meeting on Monday, September 14 at 7:00 p.m. This will also be our sign-up night for 2027 Altar Guild duties. New and/or interested ladies are invited to join us.



MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES HAVE BEGUN!

Women's Bible Studies on Tuesdays, 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Men’s Bible Studies on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM



GERTEN'S MUM FUNDRAISER PICK UP

Tuesday, September 15 from 3 to 6 PM

Church Parking Lot



FIRST DAY OF CATECHISM CLASSES on WED., SEPT. 16

First Lutheran – during the school day, 1:00 PM to 2:15 PM

Public School – 3:30 PM to 4:45 PM



FIRST LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S 6TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

It is on Sat., Sept. 19th at 1 p.m. at the Glencoe Country Club with Bump's catering a meal afterwards. Includes 4 Person Scramble Teams. Registration is at the Welcome Centers or email FLboosters@gmail.com. Payment is collected at the tournament.



NEW CHURCH MEMBERSHIP CLASSES

New church membership classes begin Monday, Sept. 21, from 6:30-7:45 p.m.



FIRST EDITION BOOK CLUB

We will be meeting on September 21, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the FLC lounge area to discuss the book Chasing Shadows by Lynn Austin.



ANNUAL SALAD LUNCHEON FUNDRAISER

Sponsored by Lutheran Women in Mission

Friday, Sept. 25, 2026 from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Your \$15 donation includes a variety of salads, dinner roll, coffee and desserts. To donate a salad, please contact the church office.



FUTURE FLAMES FISHING CONTEST MEETING

Sun., Sept. 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the Church Library



QUARTERLY VOTERS ASSEMBLY

Tuesday, September 29 at 7:00 p.m.

**Do you have
your t-shirt yet?**

**Now for only
\$10!**



FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH MEMBERS

The **Nominating Committee** is asking for your help, to fill the following Boards. Christian Education, Day School, Deacons, Evangelism, Stewardship, and Trustees.

We need any member interested in volunteering, to first prayerfully consider, then if you feel it is your calling to volunteer,
Call President Roger Schmidt @320-864-6523.

This is a great way to serve your Lord with your time and talents and becoming involved with the day-to-day operations of this Church.



Thank-you, Roger

First Lutheran Red Cross Blood Drive

Friday, October 9, from 9 AM to 3 PM

*Every 2 seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood.
Help save lives. GIVE BLOOD!*



**Stop by the South Entry this Sunday to register
for your appointment or to scan the QR Code.**

Pre-registration reduces your donation time to less than an hour. Give a whole blood donation or a Power Red donation. Donors will receive a \$15 e-gift card. First time donors are welcomed! Be part of this Lifesaving Cause!



Special Church Notices for Today, Sunday, September 13

-- Heritage Sunday & Education Sunday



► SPECIAL FLOWERS in the Heritage Sunday white floral baskets are given anonymously **In Memory of Past First Lutheran Church Pastors** and

In Honor of Present First Lutheran Church Pastors

► OFFERING TODAY will be observed by using the traditional, long-poled offering baskets.

► At the end of each service, we will be singing the COMMON DOXOLOGY, first time in English and the second time in German.

► FELLOWSHIP HOUR at 9:00 a.m. today is provided by the Day School Board.

► SPECIAL MUSIC TODAY during the 10:30 a.m. service is being provided by the First Lutheran School Choir who will be singing "He Who Began a Good Work in You." Thank you to the students for sharing their musical talents and to Mrs. Cindy Eng for directing them.

► FIRST LUTHERAN TEACHERS, AIDES, and VOLUNTEERS will be installed today during the 10:30 a.m. service, after the Sermon.

► HOLY COMMUNION will be observed using CONTINUOUS LINE.

► To accommodate the length of the 10:30 a.m. service, PARTS OF THE LITURGY are omitted today.

► Please join us today for ROOTBEER FLOATS after the 10:30 a.m. service, provided by First Lutheran School staff.

► SPECIAL THANK YOU to all of our extra USHERS today who are helping during the Offering!

September Abundant Blessings Drive

Hope Pregnancy Center offers support and guidance for pregnancy and sexual health related services. It does NOT provide abortions.

Donations accepted for NEW items for newborns to age 2 for the Willmar Baby Boutique. Please bring to the main church entrance.



Continuous Reading of the Bible Continues!

◆ Continuous Bible Reading will continue **Thursday, October 1st.**

◆ First Lutheran School students will read until noon.

◆ Volunteers are needed to continue from Noon until 10 PM.

◆ Please check Signup Genius with QR code to the right, or stop by table in South Entry on Sunday after services.

