

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday; Deuteronomy 17:1-20, Matthew 14:1-21
Monday; Deuteronomy 18:1-22, Matthew 14:22-36
Tuesday; Deuteronomy 19:1-20, Matthew 15:1-20
Wednesday; Deuteronomy 20:1-20, Matthew 15:21-39
Thursday; Deut. 21:1-23, (Deut. 22:1—24:9) Matthew 16:1-12
Friday; Deuteronomy 24:10—25:10, Matthew 16:13-28
Saturday; Deuteronomy 25:17—26:19, Matthew 17:1-13
Sunday; Deuteronomy 27:1-26, Matthew 17:14-27
And Jesus said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?” They said, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” Matthew 22:20-21 ESV.

ATTENDANCE	09/20	09/27	10/04	10/11
Worship Total	253	256	298	258
Communed	119	75	158	105
Visitors	5	3	2	6
Bible Study	29	27	33	33
Sunday School	16	34	20	24
S.S. Offering	\$2	\$5	\$25	\$20
Fellowship Hour			\$48	\$27



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.**

FIRST EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH – Missouri Synod

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

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FIRST LUTHERAN SCHOOL

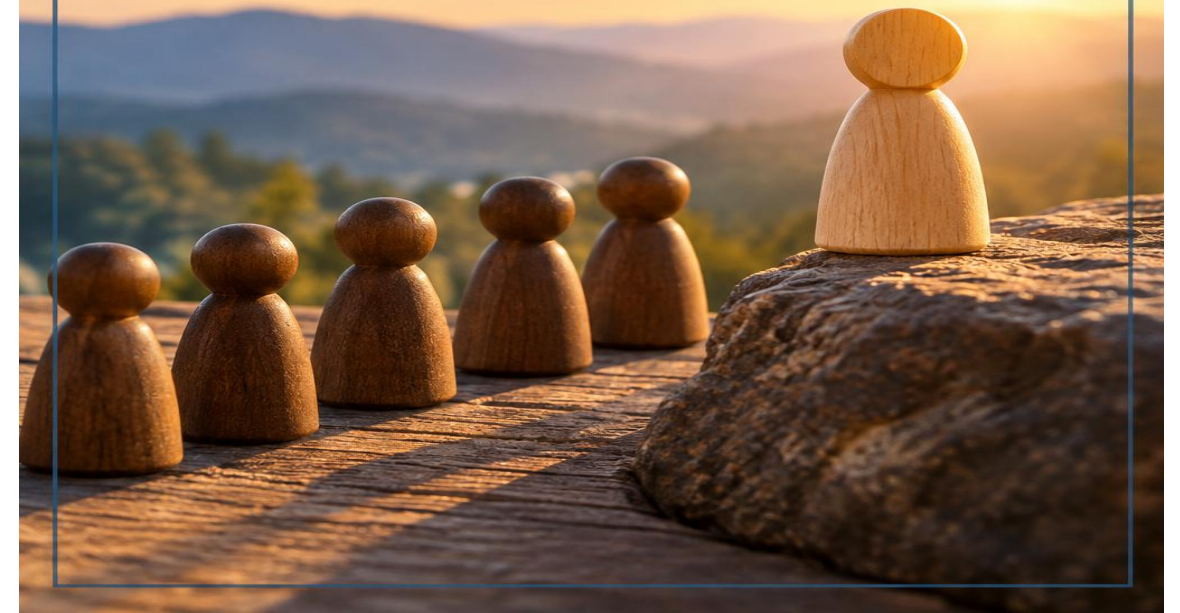
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Imitation GAMES

I Thessalonians 1 : 1 - 10



Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 18, 2026

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

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Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 18, 2026 | Divine Service: Setting 4, Page 203

Theme of the Day: Creation is bathed in light and darkness, subject to chaos and order. But in all things, God calls, equips, creates, and makes things well. The culmination of His divine care is Jesus—the One whose Word unleashes pure Gospel, unmasks pharisaical deception, acknowledges secular authority, and yet infuses into mankind unrelenting hope, steadfast faith, and incredible mercy. Believers cling to these God-given things in the midst of all wrath and affliction, confident in salvation through Christ alone.

PREACHER: Rev. Michael Ewert

LITURGIST: Rev. Daniel J. Welch

ORGANIST: Mr. Luke Dahl

HYMNS:
8:00 AM #726, 830, 839, [966, 617, 680], 850
10:30 AM #726, 830, 839, 850

BIBLE READINGS:
Old Testament ~ Isaiah 45: 1 – 7
Epistle Reading ~ 1 Thessalonians 1: 1 - 10
Gospel Reading ~ Matthew 22: 15 – 22
Psalm ~ Psalm 96: 1 – 9

SERMON: "Imitation Games"
~ 1 Thessalonians 1: 1 - 10

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Evangelism

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

DEACONS: 8:00 AM ~ Leonard Donnay, Lars Ide
10:30 AM ~ Will Freberg, Roger H. Schmidt

ACOLYTES: 8:00 AM ~ Emme Neubarth, Natallie Schafer
10:30 AM ~ Annabelle Freberg, Levi Weidendorf

SOUND SYSTEM: 8:00 AM ~ Andrew Mackenthun
10:30 AM ~ Lynn Exsted

CAMERA: (either) ~Pam Ahlbrecht

FACEBOOK LIVE:

SCREENS: 8:00 AM ~ Brittney Wolff
10:30 AM ~ Jeri Bennett

GREETERS: 8:00 AM ~ Emerson Edwards, Dave & Betty Witthus
10:30 AM ~ Jaxon Cohrs

SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSISTANT: Angie Grimm

USHERS: 8:00 AM ~
10:30 AM ~

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

INCLUDED IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

-- Please pray for the Mat-Makers, mat-deliverers and mat-receivers that God may be praised, and the saving Grace of Jesus be proclaimed.
-- Arlene Raduenz
-- Atticus Aldrich (two-year-old grandson of Teresa Brelje's cousin) who was diagnosed with high risk Neuroblastoma), Marjorie Duenow, Amy Edmison, Bob Hallowell (Father of Megan Polzin), Howard Hoecke, Shirley Krienke, Verna Kunkel, Larry Lindemann, 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 Schrunck (Great-Granddaughter of Gayle Schwarze) who has leukemia, Elroy Schuette (Brother of Elmer Schuette) who is in hospice care, Justin Schufft (son of Shari Schufft) who has kidney failure, Matt Solmonson (Son-in-law of DeLue & Mary Grams) who has Stage 4 Melanoma, Adalyn Uhler (Niece of Annika Schafer), Nathan Ward (Brother-in-law of Beth Ward) for praise and thanksgiving for the provision of a suitable blood donor match!

TODAY'S RADIO BROADCAST

Today's radio broadcast is being sponsored by Bill and Karen Mackenthun and Family in Loving Memory of Marvin and Gertrude Mackenthun. Blessed be their memory!
(Please note, radio broadcasts are recorded on the 3rd Sunday of the month, and broadcast the 4th Sunday of the month.



This Week at First Lutheran

Sunday, October 18 21st Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 AM – Divine Service with Communion
9:00 AM – Fellowship Time: Evangelism
9:15 AM – Education Hour
10:30 AM – Divine Service
6:30 to 8 PM – IMPACT (Grades 9 to 12)

Monday, October 19

9:00 AM – New copier installation at church & school
1:00 PM – Quilt Tying
3:00 to 4:45 PM – IGNITE
6:30 to 7:45 PM – New Members Class
7:00 PM – First Edition Book Club
Fall Pastors Conference in Corcoran, MN

Tuesday, October 20

9:00 AM – Women's Bible Study
1:30 PM – FLS Kindergarten visits Grand Meadows
5:30 PM – Handbell Choir
7:00 PM – Men's and Women's Bible Studies
Fall Pastors Conference in Corcoran, MN

Wednesday, October 21

9:00 AM – Lectionary Study
10:00 AM – Staff Meeting
3:30 PM – Public School Catechism
7:00 PM – Special Voters' Assembly
November Newsletter Submissions Due

Thursday, October 22

8:10 AM – Chapel: Pastor Michael Ewert
6:30 PM – Daily Office
7:00 PM – Church Council

Friday, October 23

Wedding Daniel Berg & Nicole Manteuffel
Private Rental of the Fellowship Center

Saturday, October 24

4 to 6 PM – Trunk or Treat
5 to 7 PM – German Meal

Sunday, October 25 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 AM – Divine Service
9:00 AM – Fellowship Time: Christian Ed Board
9:15 AM – Education Hour
10:30 AM – Divine Service with Communion
~~5:30 PM~~ – Future Flames Fish. Contest Meeting
6:30 to 8 PM – BLAZE
Each day, 1:50 p.m., "Congregation in Prayer."

SPECIAL VOTERS ASSEMBLY

First Evangelical Lutheran Church Members.

**There will be a Special Voters' meeting on
Wednesday, October 21st at 7:00 PM.**

**The reason for this meeting is to approve the
recommendation from the Board of Trustees to
accept the bid for fixing the noise level at the
School Cafeteria/Gymnasium.**

Thank you, Roger

Agendas are on the stands.

STEWARDSHIP October 18 – 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Matthew 22:21 – "Then he said to them, 'Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.'" So what is Jesus saying? Doesn't everything belong to God? Yes — and God has a place for everything. Some of what He gives us goes to Caesar. Some must come back to the work of His church. And some goes to support the families He has given us. All belongs to God, and He has work for us to do with what He has given us in the home, in the church and in society.

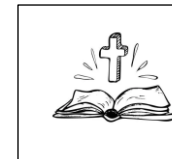


**FALL APPRECIATION
DINNER and SPEAKER**
Sunday, November 8

11:00 a.m. – Appreciation Meal
NOON – Estate Planning with
Speaker Mrs. Mary Kay Mages

***Please RSVP with the church office by calling,
emailing, or stopping by.**

READ THE BIBLE ALOUD!
Thursday, Nov. 12



8:00 AM – Chapel
9:00 to 11:30 AM – FLS Students
11:30 AM to NOON – Office Staff
NOON to 10 PM – Congregation

The Sign-up is now available!



**LAST ONE TO LEAVE
THE ROOM / BUILDING**

*Turn water faucet off.
*Turn off the light.
*Shut the door.
*Lock the door.

**ST. PAUL HOMELESS ENCAMPMENT
CLOTHING DRIVE**

We just received word that adult-size sleeping bags (Make sure the zipper works.) are also needed. This is in addition to the **Clothing Drive** for adult-size warm coats, snow pants, sweaters, boots and suitcases.

On Sat., Oct. 24 our First Lutheran Church volunteers will join several others from "New Freedom" mission to deliver the warm items and over 70 sleeping mats to residents at the large homeless encampment on Shephard Road in St. Paul.

Please bring donations by Thu., Oct. 22.

*Thank you for the many warm items you've donated!
They will save lives this winter.
Phone the church office for more info or to help deliver.*



PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

Our pastors dedicate themselves, day in and day out, to serving their church and school communities. That means it's always the right time to show them our appreciation. To help the church be intentional in showing that appreciation, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) has set aside the month of October for pastor appreciation.

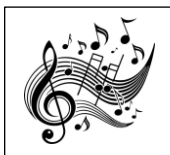
You are encouraged to join with your brothers and sisters in Christ across the LCMS in using this opportunity to show appreciation to our pastors, who serve us in a multitude of ways as they preach, teach and care for God's people in body and soul.

SENIOR CHOIR UPDATE

The Senior Choir is transitioning to a different schedule this coming year. Without the direction of our former leadership, we are pulling in quick practices instead of weekly get-togethers. We will continue to sing and fill in with special music during Sunday mornings and Holidays.

We welcome any singers who could give us a hand during these times.

We get together Sunday morning, one half-hour before the Service for a quick practice, typically singing a familiar hymn or easy anthems.



It Is Good to Praise the Lord and Make Music in His Name!

SUNDAY SCHOOL REACHES ITS OFFERING GOAL!

It Is a Blessing to be a Blessing!

Our Sunday School students are learning the joy of giving by collecting offerings to purchase animals for families in need through Heifer International. Thanks to your generosity, we have reached our goal of \$20 to purchase a duck and have also collected the \$30 needed to purchase bees! Thank you for helping our youngest members of God's flock learn the importance of sharing His blessings with others. Today, our students will vote on which medium-sized animal they would like to purchase and donate. Thank you for supporting this wonderful opportunity to teach our children the joy of giving!

SUNDAY SCHOOL BIBLE LESSONS

Our Preschool–4th grade students are currently learning about Joseph. So far, we have explored *Joseph Dreams* and *Joseph Suffers*. Coming up, we will learn about *Joseph Saves* and *Joseph Forgives*.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING ROOMS

To better accommodate First Lutheran's youth programs and various youth groups, Room 111 is gradually being transformed into the Youth Room. As a result, Sunday School classes will meet in the following locations:

- Grades 1–4 with Mrs. Amy Welch will meet in the downstairs music room, located to the left of Room 111. There is plenty of room for activities and movement!
- Grades 5–9 with Mr. Travis Uecker will meet in Room 111, which is better suited for our older youth.

Sunday School opening will continue to begin at 9:15 a.m. in the north Fellowship Center.

CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS' BIRTHDAYS!

New this year, we are celebrating our Sunday School students' birthdays! During their birthday month, each student will receive birthday wishes, prayers for God's blessings, and the opportunity to choose a small gift bag. We look forward to celebrating each of our students and thanking God for the blessing of their lives!

September Birthdays:

- Evelyn H. – September 1
- Rosie R. – September 16

October Birthdays:

- Lily R. – October 14
- Kelvin D. – October 17



MONDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

3:00-4:45 PM | FELLOWSHIP CENTER

Age 5 through 4th Grade



Join us for our first IGNITE youth group of the 2026-27 School Year! We will have a devotion, make a craft, complete some fun activities, and even have a snack! Please register in advance by using the QR code provided. Volunteer big kids and adults are needed to make these successful, thank you for considering!

IMPORTANT NOTE!

REGISTER HERE:



Parents **MUST** come in to sign kiddos out!

2026-27 DATES

December 14th

February 22nd

April 19th



TRUNK OR TREAT

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US!

OCTOBER 24TH, 2026 FROM 4-6 PM

@ FIRST LUTHERAN 925 13TH ST. E.

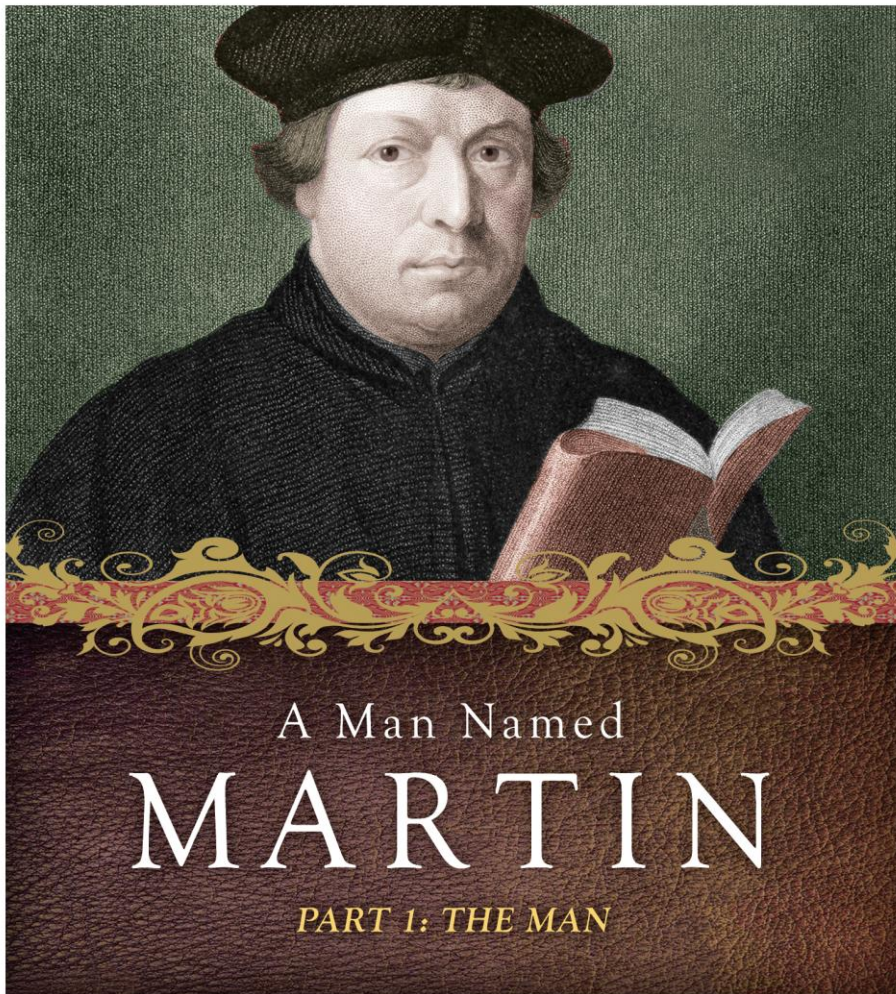
JOIN OUR COMMUNITY AS WE CELEBRATE HALLOWEEN IN A SAFE AND POSITIVE WAY!



NOTE: WE WILL BE IN THE "LOWER" PARKING LOT NEAR THE PRESCHOOL DOORS. ALL PARKING IN THE CHURCH LOT WILL BE FOR THE GERMAN MEAL ONLY. PLEASE PLAN ON STREET PARKING AND STARTING THE TRUNKS ON THE CORNER OF JUDD AND 14TH.

WANT TO HOST A TRUNK? IF SO, PLEASE REGISTER HERE





Martin Luther's Spirit-inspired grasp of justification through faith was the cornerstone of the Reformation. His faith—tested and tried by the fires of religious oppression—remains a standard of Christ-centered endurance for believers today. Learn more about the German reformer in the first of this three-part series from Lutheran Hour Ministries.

Sunday Bible Study
Starting October 18th
9:15AM-10:15AM
Led by Pr. Ewert



Thanksgiving Blessing Bags

For the McLeod County Food Shelf

We are collecting the specific food items mentioned to be able to bless families with the ability to have a Thanksgiving meal!

Items Needed:

Boxed Stuffing
Canned Veggies
Canned Cranberry Sauce
Canned Gravy
Boxed Mashed Potatoes
Boxed Cake and Frosting

Checks should be made to FLC

We need the donations by November 20th!

**We will be packing them during
Education Hour on November 22nd!**

All are invited to help package the Bags!

