

First English Lutheran Church

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8:00 & 10:45 am Communion Services

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Prelude, Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn - LSB # 619 "Thy Body, Given for Me"

Welcome

Order of Worship – Divine Service 3 - LSB pg. 184

Invocation; Confession of Sins

Introit

Oh, give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!
He spread a cloud for a covering,
and fire to give light by night.
They asked, and he brought quail,
and gave them bread from heaven in abundance.
He opened the rock, and water gushed out;
it flowed through the desert like a river.
For he remembered his holy promise,
and Abraham, his servant.
So, he brought his people out with joy,
his chosen ones with singing.

Gloria Patri; Kyrie – pg. 186

Gloria in Excelsis – pg. 187

Collect and Responses – pg. 189

P: Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still
You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your
Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all
Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus
Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Old Testament – Isaiah 55:1-5 "Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³ Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴ Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵ Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Epistle – Romans 9:1-13 I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit— ² that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴ They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. ⁵ To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen

⁶ But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, ⁷ and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." ⁸ This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. ⁹ For this is what the promise said: "About this time next year I will return, and Sarah shall have a son." ¹⁰ And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, ¹¹ though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls— ¹² she was told, "The older will serve the younger." ¹³ As it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

(please rise)

Alleluia – pg. 190

Holy Gospel - Matthew 14:13-21 ¹³ Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵ Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶ But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷ They said to him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” ¹⁸ And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

(Responses on pg. 190-191)

Sermon Hymn - LSB # 636 vs. 1-4 “Soul, Adorn Yourself”

Sermon

Nicene Creed – pg. 191 (Or inside back cover of hymnal)

Offertory - "Create in Me..." pg. 192-193

Offering

Prayers

Preface to Holy Communion - page 194

Proper Preface

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus – “Holy, Holy, Holy” pg. 195

Lord’s Prayer – pg. 196 (Or inside back cover)

Words of Institution – pg. 197

Pax Domini – pg. 197

Agnus Dei – pg. 198

(please be seated)

Distribution of Holy Communion

Hymns - LSB # 540 “Christ, the Word of God Incarnate”

LSB # 571 “God Loved the World so That He Gave”

LSB # 918 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

LSB # 941 “We Praise You, and Acknowledge You, O God”

Nunc Dimittis – pg. 199

Thanksgiving – pg. 200-201

Benedicamus and Benediction – pg. 201-202

Closing Hymn - LSB # 739 “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

Announcements and Postlude

✠ ✠ ✠ **HOLY COMMUNION** ✠ ✠ ✠

Dear Visitors and Friends: Our practice of close communion is the historic practice of the church. Through it we practice love and fidelity to God’s Word, prompting us to care for all of God’s people in this unique way. Please understand that our communion practice does not deny that the members of other denominations are Christians! Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible’s deep concern for doctrinal truth (Romans 16:17). When we commune together, God unites all who commune, not only in saving faith, but also in truth, regarding what the scripture teaches about the Lord’s Supper. In 1 Corinthians 11 Paul tells us that this expression of unity must be honest and truthful.

For this reason, the congregations of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod have agreed to follow the Biblical and historical practice of “Close Communion.” ***If you desire to receive the Lord’s Supper and are not a communicant member of First English Lutheran Church or a sister congregation in the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, we respectfully ask that you not commune this morning.*** Rather, we invite you to ask the pastor about how you might become a communicant member of our congregation.

It is our sincere prayer that our careful administration of the Lord's Supper will not be a hindrance to our fellowship with you this morning, but instead that it would lead you to appreciate the high regard we have for Christ and His Word concerning this precious gift. **Thank you for understanding, and God bless you!**

If you are a member of the LCMS, please follow the four steps of preparation for Holy Communion. You can find those preparation instructions on the white cards on the back of the pew in front of you. When you attend Holy Communion, please register by filling out one of the white cards and pass them to the inner aisle during the offering so that the ushers can collect it.

For those who prefer, the cup in the center of the communion tray is grape juice with a drop of wine. If you do not feel secure taking the individual cup from the tray, please hold out your hand to indicate your concern and the cup will be handed to you. We invite small children to accompany their parents, if they desire to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

† † **VISITORS AND MEMBERS** † †

Sometime during the service, we ask that everyone fill out one of the cards found in the pew racks so that we might have a record of your worship with us today. For our visitors we ask that you please sign our Guest Register on the table next to the front door as you leave. We are pleased to have you join us this morning as we praise our great God and encourage you to visit us again when possible.

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and saw a large
crowd, he had
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Matthew 14:14

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