

# First English Lutheran Church

1311 East 18<sup>th</sup> Street

Spencer, Iowa 51301

8:00 & 10:45 am Communion Services

Rev. Paul Kaldahl, Pastor

Pentecost 20

October 11, 2026

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## ***Prelude, Ringing of the Bell***

***Opening Hymn*** - LSB # 803 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

## ***Welcome***

***Order of Worship*** – LSB Divine Service 5 - pg. 213

## ***Invocation; Confession and Absolution***

### ***Psalm 23***

P: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

**C: He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.**

P: He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

**C: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

P: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

**C: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

***Kyrie*** - LSB #943 "Lord, Have Mercy"

Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e E-le-i-son

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***Gloria in Excelsis*** – LSB #947 "All Glory Be to God on High"

All glory be to God on high

And thanks for all His favor

No harm can touch or terrify

A child of God forever.

God shows His good and gracious will

And grants His peace, the world to fill

All strife at last has ended.

We praise and laud and worship You

We give you thanks forever

O Father for Your rule is true

And just and changes never.

With boundless power Your mighty reign

fulfills whatever You ordain.

Lord grant us every blessing.

O Jesus Christ, the only Son

Begotten of the Father,

Your saving death has made us one

With God and with each other.

O Lamb of God, to You on high

In our distress we sinners cry

Have mercy on us, amen!

O Holy Spirit, our delight

And source of consolation

Protect us from the devil's might

Through Jesus, our salvation,

Who by His death upon a tree

Has rescued us from misery

To this we hold forever.

***Collect and Responses*** – pg. 214

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; 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 25:6-9 <sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts

will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. <sup>7</sup>And he

will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. <sup>8</sup>He will swallow up

death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the LORD has spoken. <sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is

the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle** – Philippians 4:4-13 Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; <sup>6</sup>do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

<sup>9</sup>What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.<sup>10</sup> I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. <sup>11</sup>Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. <sup>12</sup>I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. <sup>13</sup>I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(please rise)*

**Holy Gospel** – Matthew 22:1-14 Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, <sup>2</sup>“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, <sup>3</sup>and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. <sup>4</sup>Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.”’ <sup>5</sup>But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, <sup>6</sup>while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. <sup>7</sup>The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.

<sup>8</sup>Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup>Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ <sup>10</sup>And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found,

both bad and good. So, the wedding hall was filled with guests. <sup>11</sup>“But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. <sup>12</sup>And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. <sup>13</sup>Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ <sup>14</sup>For many are called, but few are chosen.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Children’s Message**

**Creedal Hymn** – LSB #953 “We All Believe in One True God”

## **Sermon**

*(please rise)*

**Prayer of the Church** – pg. 215

**Apostles’ Creed** (inside back cover of hymnal)

**Offering** *(hymn will be sung during the offering)*

**Offering Hymn** - LSB # 830 “Spread the Reign of God the Lord”

**Lord’s Prayer** – pg. 217 (Or inside back cover)

**Benedicamus and Benediction** – pg. 218

**Closing Hymn** - LSB #813 “Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng”

**Announcements and Postlude**

† † **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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