

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
1100 EAST SUPERIOR STREET, DULUTH, MN

October 20, 2024

11:00 a.m.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*You are invited to light a candle in prayer on the Tree of Life during the service.
The candle-lighter is hanging on the wall; you may need to take a candle out to light it.
Please pass the Friendship Notebook along your row and greet those around you that you may not know.
We welcome children in worship. There is a family room across from the right front sanctuary doors
and a staffed nursery down the hall.
Hearing assist receivers are available at the ushers' station.*

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

The assembly stands.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

We confess that we have honored you with our lips,

but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.

The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes.

In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves.

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

Draw near to us with grace in time of need,

and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,

our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity
and to remember our sin no more.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of † Jesus Christ,

the source of eternal healing,

your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN *Your Love Goes On Forever*

Praise Him all you shin - ing stars. Praise the Lord in all the earth.
All the crea - tures of the sea, child - ren of the Sav - ior,

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— Ev - 'ry crea - ture near and far, praise the Lord. —
— yearn - ing hearts and o - ceans deep, praise the Lord. —

9

Storm - y winds and clouds of white, val - leys clothed in splen - dor, —
For the mer - cy in His hands, for the heal - ing in His scars,

13

burn - ing sun and moon - lit light, praise the Lord. Heav - en and
for the grace in His com - mands, praise the Lord. —

17

all the u - ni - verse, pro - claim Your pow - er and Your worth. Hal - le - lu -

21

- jah, Your love goes on for - ev - er. God of life and Lord of love,

26

— Who was and is and is to come. Hal - le - lu -

29

- jah, Your love goes on for - ev - er. —

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor Dianne O. Loufman

FIRST READING Job 38:1-7, 34-41

Word of God.
Word of Life.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! _____

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL Mark 10:35-45

Warnings to ambitious disciples

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.
Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Dianne O. Loufman

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY *Build My Life*

Wor-thy of ev-'ry song we could ev-er sing. Wor-thy of all the praise
 Je - sus the name a- bove ev - 'ry oth-er name. Je - sus the on-ly one—

8
 — we could ev - er bring. Wor - thy of ev - 'ry breath
 — who could ev - er save... —

10
 — we could ev-er breathe, we live for You... We live for You...—

13
 Ho - ly, there is no one like You, there is none be - side You. O - pen up my eyes in won-der and

17
 show me who You are and fill me with Your heart and lead me in Your love to those a - round me.

21
 I will build my life up - on Your love; it is a firm foun - da - tion.

25
 I will put my trust in You a - lone, and I will not be shak - en.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Hear us, O God. or Bless we the Lord,
 Your mercy is great. Thanks be to God.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace. All are then seated for the offering.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

GENEROSITY MOMENT

OFFERING

*You are invited to use our digital offering plate. Simply text “**flcduluth**” to **73256**. You’ll be sent a text with a link to give. Click on the link and enter your giving information. Thank you for supporting God’s mission through FLC.*

OFFERTORY MUSIC

The assembly stands.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together:

**Blessed are you, O God,
source of every gift of your creation.
By these gifts and with our lives,
help us to serve one another and all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The thanksgiving continues with the Words of Institution, concluding with the Lord’s Prayer

We pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

We practice Eucharistic hospitality; all are welcome. Receive the bread and dip it into the wine (red) or grape juice (white). Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes you to this table.

Come, here is your God.

COMMUNION HYMN *Empty Grave*

**Wipe away those tears child
There's no need to cry
Stand up on your feet now**

**Lift your head up high
Don't wait 'til tomorrow lay down your sorrow
Freedom is here today
Wipe away those tears child
Put down your shame**

**Oh I see an empty grave
I hear the heavens waking
Angels in jubilation
That stone's been rolled away
I feel the darkness breaking
I bet the devil's shaking
Somebody celebrate
I see an empty grave**

**Wipe away those tears child
Go and tell the news
What started in the garden
Was finished in the tomb
It's all reversed
The apple the curse
Three days in the ground
Christ our Lord is risen
Death couldn't hold Him down**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:

**Holy God,
you have welcomed us to this meal
and fed us with dignity at your table.
Send us now to welcome others
and to be at peace with one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

BLESSING OF QUILTS

The assembly stands.

AARONIC BLESSING

The presiding minister proclaims God's blessing.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Everlasting God

Strength will rise as we wait— up-on the Lord. Wait— up-on the Lord, we will wait

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— up- on the Lord. Strength will rise as we wait— up- on the Lord wait

7

— up- on the Lord we will wait— up- on the Lord. Our God,— You reign— for- ev-

11

- er; our Hope, our strong— De- liv - er- er.—

17 Chorus

You are the ev - er-last-ing God,— the ev - er-last-ing God.— You do

22

not faint, You won't grow wear - y. You're the de- fend - er of the weak,

27

— You com - fort those in need.— You lift—

30

— us up on wings like ea - gles.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Ministers	All People of First Lutheran Church
Pastor	The Rev. Dianne O. Loufman
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