

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Activity

### Location

#### Sunday 09/21/2025

9:15 a.m. Faith Formation	
9:15 a.m. Children's Choir-Pre-K through 5th	
10:30 a.m. Worship	Sanctuary & Online
12:00 p.m. Bell Choir	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m. Youth Bowling Event	Northway Lanes
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting	First Floor Education Room

#### Monday 09/22/2025

12:00 p.m. Quilt Group	Quilt Room
1:30 p.m. Lisa's Music Lessons	Gallery
6:00 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous	First Floor Education Room
7:00 p.m. Cardio Drumming	Family Life Center
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting	First Floor Education Room

#### Tuesday 09/23/2025

#### Bulletin Deadline

9:00 a.m. Pickleball	Family Life Center
9:00 a.m. SHOP Group	Gallery
10:00 a.m. Grow a Little Reader Program	Nursery
3:00 p.m. Lisa's Music Lessons	First Floor Education Room
4:00 p.m. New Bells Class	Music Room
6:00 p.m. Grief Share Group	Gallery
6:30 p.m. Choir	Music Room
7:30 p.m. Band	Music Room
9:30 p.m. Compline	Facebook

#### Wednesday 09/24/2025

9:00 a.m. Pickleball	Family Life Center
12:00 p.m. Staff Meeting	Gallery

#### Thursday 09/25/2025

9:00 a.m. Read Muskegon-ABC's of Cooking	Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Music Together Classes	First Floor Education Room
12:00 p.m. Bible Study	Gallery
3:00 p.m. Lisa's Music Lessons	First Floor Education Room
4:00 p.m. Burnished Brass Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Private Group Meeting	Gallery
6:00 p.m. Worship	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Cardio Drum Class	Family Life Center
7:15 p.m. Council Meeting	Gallery

#### Friday 09/26/2025

7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting	First Floor Education Room
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#### Saturday 09/27/2025

FROM THE RISING OF THE SUN,  
TO THE PLACE WHERE IT SETS, THE  
NAME OF THE LORD IS TO BE  
PRAISED.

-PSALM 113:3

**15 Pentecost**

**Thursday, September 18, 2025**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, September 21, 2025**

**10:30 a.m.**

# WELCOME

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH – Muskegon, Michigan**

## WELCOME

Welcome to this time of worship. We are especially grateful for those of you who are visitors. You make us more whole. First Lutheran is a part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, a church body committed to the welcome of the stranger and to the questions and doubts of all seekers.

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The flowers on the altar are given by Joel Westerholm in honor of Kim's birthday.

## **THOSE WHO SERVE 09/18 and 09/21**

### **Assisting Minister**

**Lector** Thurs. 6:00 p.m.  
**Lector** Sun. 10:30 a.m.  
**Servers** Sun.10:30 a.m.  
**Acolytes** Sun.10:30 a.m.  
**Head Usher**  
**Ushers** Sun.10:30 a.m.

Diane Madej  
Andy Luther  
Mary Schoonover  
Larry Bringedahl, Amy Werling  
Open  
Jeff Cooke  
Larry Bringedahl, Joe Labiak  
Ben Werling  
Ben Werling  
Joel Westerholm, Eva Backus  
Nate Johnston  
Amy Badley, Lisa Le  
Diane Kroll, Jenny Lindell  
Jean Boxer  
Jean Boxer  
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Fellowship Ministry  
Amber Thomas  
Amber Thomas

### **Junior Church**

### **Song Leaders**

### **Sound System**

### **Information Stations**

### **Counters**

### **Communion Bread**

### **Communion Set-Up**

Clean-Up Sun.10:30 a.m.

### **Coffee Hour Hosts**

### **Bus Driver Pick Up**

### **Bus Driver Drop Off**

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Paula Dusseljee  
Chris Patterson  
Diane Kroll  
Ed and Deb Wosinski  
Ben and Noah Rop  
Open  
Bill and Jan Naymick  
Tara Plekes  
Holly Stewart  
Mark Thogerson, Phil Sielski  
Jeff Thomas  
Ruth Basch, Stan Daszko  
Val Barnes, Sandy Hutchins  
Bert Goodman  
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Webbers and Dibbles  
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### More Announcements

We need **coffee hour hosts**. Please **sign up** on the sheet on the information station by the office.

The **current fabric art display in the Gallery** is by Nancy Johnson and will be up for three months. She has more items to display and will change monthly. Stop by after coffee hour to see her art.

**Wednesday night dinners** will start back up on October 1st. This is also when **evening Bible studies** will start as well as **new members' classes** and **Kid's Music** for all ages.

Our **marriage retreat** has been canceled.

The **middle school youth** are going bowling at Northway Lanes following worship today (Sunday).

Our **Fall Stewardship Campaign** begins on Sunday, October 5th. We hope you will respond to this "In it Together" drive with your generous financial commitments.

Our **Ministry Fair** when we highlight our gifts of time and talents will take place on Sunday, October 19th.

**Pastor Bill will be speaking** at a press event on Sunday at 3:00 p.m. at Pere Marquette Park about our involvement in solar energy.

*"A generous spirit reflects a trusting soul".*

### Announcements

**Our first adult faith formation class for the Fall** is titled "Life and Death, Heaven and Hell: Your Future and Ours." Please join us at 9:30 in the gym each Sunday. Faith formation actually will begin at 9:15, but the adults will be given 15 minutes to socialize.

Our next **new members' class** will start on October 1 at 6:10 p.m. It will meet for four weeks. Contact Pastor Bill if you are interested.

Please **remember the church** with your generous **financial gifts**. Our financial situation is not as good as it once was.

Join us for the **CROP Hunger Walk**, taking place in downtown Muskegon on October 5, 2024 starting at noon. This is a community-led interfaith event that raises funds to end hunger locally and around the world. To get your packets contact Paula Dusseljee at [paula@firstlutheranmuskegon.org](mailto:paula@firstlutheranmuskegon.org) or Holly Stewart at [hstewart1107@hotmail.com](mailto:hstewart1107@hotmail.com) to get your packets.

Are you a **Thrivent member**? If so, we need your **Thrivent Action Cards** for Wednesday night dinners. Please contact Sabina Freeman at 231-855-3022 if you can help out.

First Lutheran is responsible for providing **meals for Family Promise** families the week of **October 12-18**. Please contact Amy Werling at 616-648-9233 if you can provide a dinner.

There is a **meeting** planned for **H.S. Youth and their parents** for September 28 after worship in the Upper Room. This meeting is to discuss upcoming events.

Join us on **October 12** during coffee hour to celebrate the **55th anniversary of the Werlings** with an Octoberfest **luncheon and original music by the Werling family**. This will be a fundraiser to beautify our grounds.

**Please sign up to attend the play "Lumber Queen"** at the Corner downtown Muskegon on October 4 at 7:30 p.m. A group will be going to dinner prior to the play at the Vault (the Core building) in downtown. You can order tickets to the play online.

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# Order of Service

“???”

Prelude

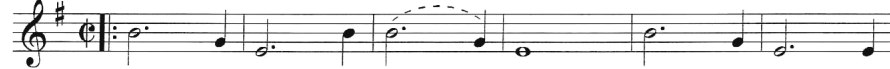
Order of Confession

Song “Canticle of the Turning” #723 (red)

Greeting (screen)

Kyrie

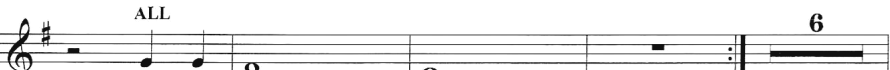
VERSES: Solo



1. God, Cre - a - tor, El - o - him, Yah - weh, I Am  
2. God with us, Im - man - u - el, Bread of Life and  
3. God of all com - pas - sion, All Em - brac - ing



who I Am, El \_\_\_\_\_ Roi, the God who sees,  
Liv - ing Well, Faith - ful Shep - herd, Love who leads,  
Pa - tient One, Shap - er of all beau - ty,



grant us mer - cy.  
grant us mer - cy.  
grant us mer - cy.

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Hymn of Praise

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Salutation

Prayer of the Day

Special Music “Take My Life” Choir

First Reading Amos 8:4-7

## Hymn of Praise



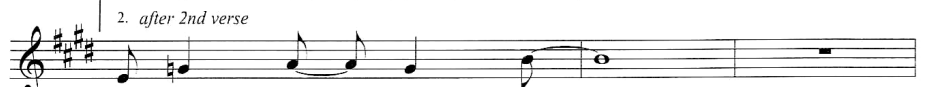
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, glo-ry to God in the high - est,



glo-ry to God in the high - est! Peace to God's be - lov-



1. after 1st verse - ed, peace to all. \_\_\_\_\_ to verse 2 Be -



2. after 2nd verse ed, peace to all. \_\_\_\_\_



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, glo-ry to God in the high - est,



glo-ry to God in the high - est! A - men.

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### Readings for Next Weekend

First Reading	Amos 6:1a,4-7
Psalms	Psalms 146
Second Reading	1 Timothy 6:6-19
Gospel Reading	Luke 16: 19-31

## Hymn of Praise

### *Gloria: Glory to God*

Solo or ALL



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, glo-ry to God in the high - est,



glo - ry to God in the high - - - est!



Peace to God's be - lov - ed, peace to all.

VERSES: ALL



1. We lift our hearts now to wor - ship you, and we  
2. Be - yond our know - ing, be - yond our sight, far be -



lift our song to glo - ri - fy you, our  
yond our dreams, Great My - st'ry and Might! O



voic - es rais - ing in joy - ful praise to the  
Sing - ing Word, Ho - ly Pulse and Breath, Source of



Sculpt - or of skies, the Fount - ain of Life!  
All Mel - o - dy: One Cho - rus of Love!

## Second Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-7

## Gospel Verse

(screen)

## Gospel Reading

Luke 16:1-13

## Children's Sermon/Noisy Offering/Junior Church

*This month's noisy offering will benefit Lutheran World Relief.*

## Song

"We Are An Offering"

#146 (purple)

## Sermon

## Hymn

"Where Your Treasure Is"

F maj/7		C		G		F		C		Am 7	
CHORUS											
<p>"Where your trea- sure is there your heart will</p>											

F 15		C		G		F		C		Am 7		F		G		Am		G	
<p>be. Where your trea- sure is there your heart will be. Trea- sured in God's own hands;</p>																			

Am 28		Am 6		G		C		Am 7		F		G 7		C		F		C	
<p>in God's for- e- ver plans. Where our trea- sure is our heart will be.</p>																			

## Announcements/Prayers

## Peace

## Offering

## Offertory Prayer

## Great Thanksgiving

(screen)

## Holy, Holy

ALL



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly O God of Sha - lom.  
 — Cre - a - tion sings and the cos - mos rings with Your glo -  
 ry, Your glo — ry! Ho-san - na in the high - est, ho-  
 san - na in the high - est, ho-san - na in the high — est!  
 Bless-ed are You, O God of all love and light! — Ho-  
 san - na in the high - est, ho-san - na in the high - est, ho-  
 san - na in the high - est! A - men.

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## The Lord's Prayer

(screen)

### Communion

"All Are Welcome"

"Eat This Bread"

"Let Justice Flow Like Streams"

"We Come to the Hungry Feast"

"Lead Me, Guide Me"

(screen)

#472 (red)

#717 (red)

#479 (red)

#768 (red)

## Blessing/Post-Communion Prayer

## Hymn

"Sing Out, Earth and Skies"

#126 (purple)

## Benediction/Dismissal/Postlude



Prayer, music, meditation. We offer a quiet time in which we meet and unite in what all Christians desire: time together in the presence of God. Meet here in the Upper Room at 6:00 p.m. on September 28.

**It is time to start working on your special, secret and spiffy act for "Three Courses"— our Fall Variety Show**

**When is it?**

**Friday, October 17**

**What time?**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Course 1**

**Hors d'oeuvres**

**Course 2**

**A talent Smorgasborg**

**Course 3**

**Intermission & Sweet treats!**

**See Shar Bourdon if you have a talent you want to share!**