Announcements

Worship Live Stream | Beginning November 1, *our Sunday worship service will be live streamed on YouTube ONLY. It will no longer be streamed on Facebook. A link to our YouTube channel can be found on our FLC webpage and in our Friday email.*

ThankOffering | During the month of November, the Women of FLC are taking a special offering to support the ongoing projects of the Women of the ELCA. Special offering envelopes are available from the ushers.

Turkey Bingo | November 18 | 5pm supper. 6:15pm Bingo | Enjoy a dinner of hot turkey sandwiches & pumpkin pie (freewill donation), followed by bingo ($10 per card bundle). Winners take home a turkey! Money raised will help send out youth to the 2027 Youth Gathering.

Theology On Tap | November 19 @ 7pm at Bucks Mill | Meets the first & third Thursday of each month, October—April. Bring your questions and bring a friend. All are welcome.

Salvation Army Bell Ringers Needed | November 28 at Central Market. A sign up is at the information table.

High School Pizza Lunch | November 19 & December 17@ Pizza Ranch. | All FLC High School student welcome!

Christmas Decorating | November 22 @ 10:30am | Help us *spruce* up the church for Christmas!

Thanksgiving Break | No Oasis - November 25, no Kid's Club November 29.

Holiday Poinsettias | Spread holiday joy & warmth; donate Christmas poinsettias for the sanctuary in memory or honor of loved ones! **Order deadline: December 13** Each Poinsettia is $13

Children's Christmas Store | December 5 | Volunteers needed! more information & sign-up sheets are at the Christmas Store table downstairs.

Confirmation Again | December 9 | One more session this year! Join Pr Joe and the Confirmation students in the sanctuary for a refresher. This year's curriculum is centered on Bible highlights & it's general narrative.

Sweet Sale | December 13 | Our annual Christmas bake sale! Yum!

Advent Wreath Make-n-Take | December 13 @ 10:30am. Join us for a holiday craft with meaning. Cost: $20

Advent Mini-Concerts | Wednesday December 2, 9 & 16 @ noon. Lunch to follow. 12/2 - Tim Eggebratten, 12/8- Emma Duncan & Rich Johnson, 12/16 - Kyle Colby

Christmas Day Oasis | December 25 - more info coming soon!

Prayers for God's People

Ongoing prayers for: Bill Wegschied, Tyler Wilson, Jaydn Cole, Dave & Pam Nustad, Alan Bergum, Sarah Duncan, Marilyn Tinjum, Carson, Denise Gaard, and Doreen Tollefson.

To submit a prayer request, you may call the church office or submit your request online by scanning the code.

Don Smith wants to thank everyone for their prayers!

Thanks for worshiping with us!

Lead Pastor Joe Skogmo
Minister Barry Fewson
Music Director: Karen Bimberg

Ways to give:
Scan QR code to give online
In person , during the offering.
Mail check to the church office.

Welcome!

We are glad you are here.

Sunday, November 15, 2026
25th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

Opening Hymn | *We Praise You, O God | ELW 870*

1 .We praise you, O God, our redeemer, creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

2. We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers;
through trial and tempest our guide you have been.
When perils o'ertake us, you will not forsake us,
and with your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

3. With voices united our praises we offer
and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With you, Lord, beside us,
your strong arm will guide us.
To you, our great redeemer, forever be praise!

Confession & Forgiveness

P: Merciful God, **C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out our offenses. Release us from the guilt and shame we carry, and renew a right spirit within us. Teach us your ways, and uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

P:Righteous God, **C: our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Musical Message | *Give Thanks - arr. Anna Laura Page | Alleluia Ringers*

First Reading | *1 Thessalonians 5:1-11*

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So, then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober, for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober and put on the breastplate of faith and love and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Responsive Psalm | *Psalm 90:1-6*
R: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
C: Before the mountains were brought forth or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
R: You turn us back to dust and say, "Turn back, you mortals."
C: For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past or like a watch in the night.
R: You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning;
C: In the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.
R: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation | *ELW pg. 205*
Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.
Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.
Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel | *Matthew 25:14-30*
P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 25th Chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

"For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. At once the one who had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

P: The Gospel of Our Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon | *Minister Barry Fewson*

Statement Of Faith | *Apostles' Creed*
C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

Song of the Day | *Jesus Messiah*
He became sin who knew no sin. That we might become His righteousness.
He humbled Himself and carried the cross. Love so amazing. Love so amazing.

Chorus: Jesus Messiah, name above all names. Blessed Redeemer, Immanuel.
The rescue for sinners. The ransom from heaven. Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.

His body the bread, His blood the wine. Broken and poured out, all for love.
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn. Love so amazing, Love so amazing, yeah. ***Chorus***

All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You. All the glory to You, God, the light of the world.

Jesus Messiah, name above all names. Blessed Redeemer, Immanuel.
The rescue for sinners. The ransom from heaven. Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all. The Lord of all, the Lord of all.

Prayers of the People
P: Lord in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

Sharing of Peace

Offering/Noisy Offering | *November: Disabled American Veterans*

Offering Hymn | Holy, Holy, Holy | ELW #473
1.Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are holy God. (Sing 2x)

Offering Prayer
P: Loving God, **C: receive this offering for the building up of your kingdom: the proclamation of your word and the loving of our neighbor. Amen.**

Communion
Words of Institution
Lord's Prayer
C: 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.
Distribution
Post Communion Blessing
Post Communion Prayer
C: Gracious God, at this table you have nourished our body and soul with food and drink. As you have been food and drink for us, transform us to be food and drink for one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Benediction

Sending Hymn | *On Our Way Rejoicing | ELW 537*
1.On our way rejoicing
gladly let us go.
Christ our Lord has conquered;
vanquished is the foe.
Christ without, our safety;
Christ within, our joy;
who, if we be faithful,
can our hope destroy?

Refrain: On our way rejoicing;
as we forward move,
hearken to our praises,
O blest God of love!

2. Unto God the Father
joyful songs we sing;
unto God the Savior
thankful hearts we bring;
unto God the Spirit
bow we and adore,
on our way rejoicing
now and evermore. **Refrain**

Sending
P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**