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FIRST
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CHURCH



**Lost Sheep
Highly Valuable**

Welcome

- ◆ We are glad you are here. If you have prayer requests, please fill out a card in the pew and place it in the offering plate.
- ◆ Restrooms are in the entrance hall, across from the cry room.
- ◆ For parents with active children, a glassed-in cry room is located at the back of the Worship Center and an unstaffed nursery is also available. Please ask an usher or an elder for assistance .
- ◆ Please silence all cell phones.

May the Lord bless your experience with us today!

The mission of FLC Texarkana is to disciple and equip the faithful to care for all and reach the lost within our communities and world with the Gospel.



SEPT 28, 2025

Bring your “Grands” to Church Sunday

Join us as we kick off our
children's Sunday School year
with a special service designed
by our youth! Food, games,
crafts, & fun following church!

**CHILDREN AND ADULT
SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:00AM**

WORSHIP 10:00AM

PRAYER

Requests

- **People with special needs:** Rev. Mark Lasch, Ruby Coats, Michael Attaway, Gwen Stout, Lynn Nymeyer, Charles Wagner, Marion Clark, Peggy Harris, Yolanda Mueller, Rodney & Lisa Williams, Bruce Cochran, Jennifer Simpson, Mary Gressett, Pam Farrow, Barbara McDonald, Betsy Cochran, Janet Ruper, Tammy Moreno-Wilmarth, Janie Carl, Frank Drake, Joan Sherrod, Micah Cromer, Cody Voan, Cody Cross, Maverick Johnson, Donna Harter, Sam Prewitt, Patsy Roper, Michelle McFaul, Theresa Griggs, Luke Thomas, Brycn Hallowell, Lyla Follmer, Amelia Thomas, Zachary Thomas, Makayla Burns
- **Those who are suffering from chronic illnesses:** Rori Parrish, Mark & Shelia Oestmann, Ken Nielsen, Georges & Sandra Drautz, Terry Feyen, Cathy Jordan, Lisa Sundbye, Joseph & Jennifer Holmes, Debra Gardner, Iris Wood, Renee Kurtenbach, Jennifer Montoya-Leopold, Darren Anderson, Bill Blair, Elaine Cranfill, Randy Brown, Bill Ellis, Lydia Arnold, Celia Jones, Linda Thomas, PJ & Tiffani Poole, Peggy Harris, Jennifer Simpson, Herman Plattner, Austin Taylor
- **Those preparing for surgery:** Nancy Jacobs
- **Our nation and those who govern us:** the families and friends of those lost in the flooding in central Texas, U.S. troops around the world would return home safely, terrorists do not attack again, World peace.
- **In Military Service or working war zones:** Blake Sundbye, Dylan Vann, Zack Coulburn, Chad Bowles, Barbara Rutter, David Owens, Cpt. Tony Moritz, Staff Sgt. Clara DeShane, Technical Sgt. Will DeShane

Prayer requests and updates can be submitted by completing the form in the pew rack and placing it in the offering plate or by emailing Corrine at flctexarkana@gmail.com.

LOST SHEEP—HIGHLY VALUABLE

TIME TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME

OPENING SONG

"Today Your Mercy Calls Us"

LSB #915

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

O Lord, my God, I cry to You for help.

Heal and restore me, O Lord.

Most holy and merciful Father,

like sheep, O Lord, we have strayed and wandered from You. We have sinned against You and one another. We have done the evil You forbid, and we have not done the good You desire. There is no health in us. O merciful and divine Shepherd, cover our sins with Your forgiveness, clothe us with Your perfect righteousness, and preserve us in this faith and fear, that we may be kept to the day when Your Son comes to judge all people. Have mercy, O Lord, and fulfill Your Word to us in Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. His peace be with you.

And also with you.

SALUTATION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 34:11-24

“For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. “As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord God: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet? “Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all

Week of September 14, 2025

14 Sun.	9:00am	-	Education Hour
	10:00am	-	Worship
15 Mon.	5:30pm	-	Pickleball
16 Tue.	11:00am	-	Zoom Bible Study on 1 Corinthians
17 Wed.	10:45am	-	Wednesday Morning Bible Study on Joshua
21 Sun.	9:00am	-	Education Hour
	10:00am	-	Worship

SERVING THE LORD IN WORSHIP TODAY...

- Preacher..... Rev. Scott Sundbye
- Elders..... Dan Bradshaw & Jason Christian
- Altar Guild..... Lois Haugh & Gerda Lavender
- Reader..... John Lanier
- Counters..... George Boger & Gayla Fowler
- Head Ushers..... Derek Huffman & John Lanier
- Audio/Visual..... Matt Smith & Crew

FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PLACED ON THE ALTAR by John and Nancy Lanier in celebration of their children’s wedding anniversaries. Their daughter Adrienne and her husband Cody celebrated on September 5 and son Matthew and his wife Stephanie celebrate today, September 14th.

NORTHEAST TEXAS LWML is hosting a Fall Workshop at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Sulphur Springs on September 27 from 9:00am—1:30pm. They will be collecting white onesies, diapers, diaper rash ointment, baby wipes, and baby wash for the Heart of Hope Pregnancy Center in Sulphur Springs. If anyone is interested in attending, please contact Gayla for more information.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW for our Oktoberfest Anbetung und Essen (Worship and Food) at the Lake October 12.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Sunday Morning Greeters and Sunday School teachers. Please fill out the insert or email Corrine at flctexarkana@gmail.com

the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

1 Timothy 1:5-17

The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions. Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, in accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted. I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

The Gospel for today is recorded in Luke 15:1-10.

Glory to You, O Lord!

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ!

SONG OF THE DAY “Jesus They Blood and Righteousness”
LSB #563

MESSAGE LOST SHEEP—HIGHLY VALUABLE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of
heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came

down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG "The King of Love My Shepherd Is " *LSB #709*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with His favor and + give you peace.

Amen!

CLOSING SONG "O Bless the Lord, My Soul" LSB#**814**

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****Voter's Meeting today after Worship Service****

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