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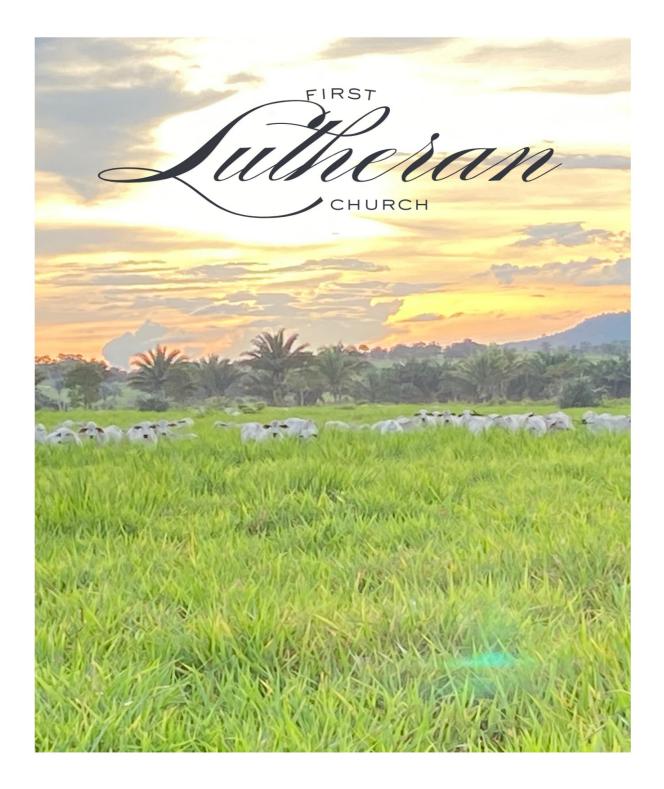
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9th Sunday after Pentecost August 10, 2025



- 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.

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.

May the Lord bless your experience with us today!

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Date:	



- 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: Rev. Joe Ardy, 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
- Those who are preparing for or recovering from surgery:
 Austin Taylor
- 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, Will & Clara DeShane, 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.

WHAT IS OUR PURPOSE?

TIME TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME

OPENING SONG

"We Praise You, O God"

LSB **#785**

INVOCATION

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

Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt His name together!

I sought the LORD, and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

The LORD redeems the life of His servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us humble ourselves before God, confess our sins to Him, and ask His gracious forgiveness for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

We now confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and before one another, that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have given in to anxiety and have not always put our trust in God and His gracious provision for our lives. We have not always been good stewards of the many gifts that God graciously gives us and have focused on keeping things for ourselves rather than sharing them with others. We have missed

opportunities to share the love of Christ with those around us and have not sought out the best for the people of our family circles, our neighborhoods, and our communities. We pray our God to have mercy on us, to forgive us all our sins, to lead us into lives of growing faith and increasing charity, and finally to bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

God is faithful and keeps His promises of full pardon for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, granting mercy and forgiveness for those who repent and turn to Him. Together, we receive the riches of God's forgiveness because of Jesus.

Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING OF PSALM 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

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

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

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.

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

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

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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Amen.

Week of August 10, 2025

10 Sun. 9:00am - Education Hour

10:00am - Worship

11 Mon. 5:30pm - Pickleball

12 Tues. 2:00pm - Bailey Creek BINGO

13 Wed. 6:00pm - Church Council

17 Sun. 9:00am - Education Hour

10:00am - Praise Worship w/ Communion

always love having people out to play so make plans now to join us! Prize donations can be put into the box in the Narthex.

CHURCH COUNCIL meets this Wednesday, August 13, at 6:00pm.

THE ASSIMILATION COMMITTEE will meet Tuesday, August 19, 11:00am at Flying Burger.

<u>CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> will resume on Sunday, September 14. We are seeking volunteers to help teach on a rotating basis. If you are interested in assisting with our children's education, please let Pastor or Cherrie know.

THE LADIES RETREAT is scheduled for Friday, September 19, to Sunday, September 21, in Hot Springs, AR. Please RSVP to Karen Bradshaw at 903-748-8356 by September 1st.

We are looking for volunteers to help with the following:

- 1. Lead the daily Bible study
- 2. Lead crafts
- 3. Serve as the food coordinator
- 4. Assist with driving

This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with sisters in Christ and grow in God's word. The cost will be minimal; for example, if 12 people attend, the cost will be under \$40, plus your personal expenses for meals and other activities. The more attendees, the better! Feel free to invite others outside of FLC.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 43:1-7

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life. Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you. I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

The Gospel for today is recorded in John 10:11–18.

Glory to You, O Lord!

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ!

SONG OF THE DAY "How Firm a Foundation"

LSB **#728**

SERMON WHAT IS OUR PURPOSE?

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 "Praise and Thanksgiving" LSB #789

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 "Jesus Lead Thou On" LSB#**718**

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FLOWERS have been placed on the altar by John and Nancy Lanier in celebration of their **54th Wedding Anniversary**.

SERVING THE LORD IN WORSHIP TODAY...

Guest Leader..... Jimmy Curtis

Elders..... George Boger & Jason Christian

Altar Guild..... Sue Richter & Kathy Stivers

Reader..... Cherrie Curtis Keyboardist..... Gwen Huffman

Counters...... George Boger & Gayla Fowler Head Ushers..... Derek Huffman & John Lanier

Audio/Visual..... Matt Smith & Crew

BAILEY CREEK BINGO is this Tuesday, Aug12th. Meet at the church at 1:30pm or at Bailey Creek by 2:00pm. The residents like toiletries, snacks, pictures or room decorations as their BINGO prizes. They