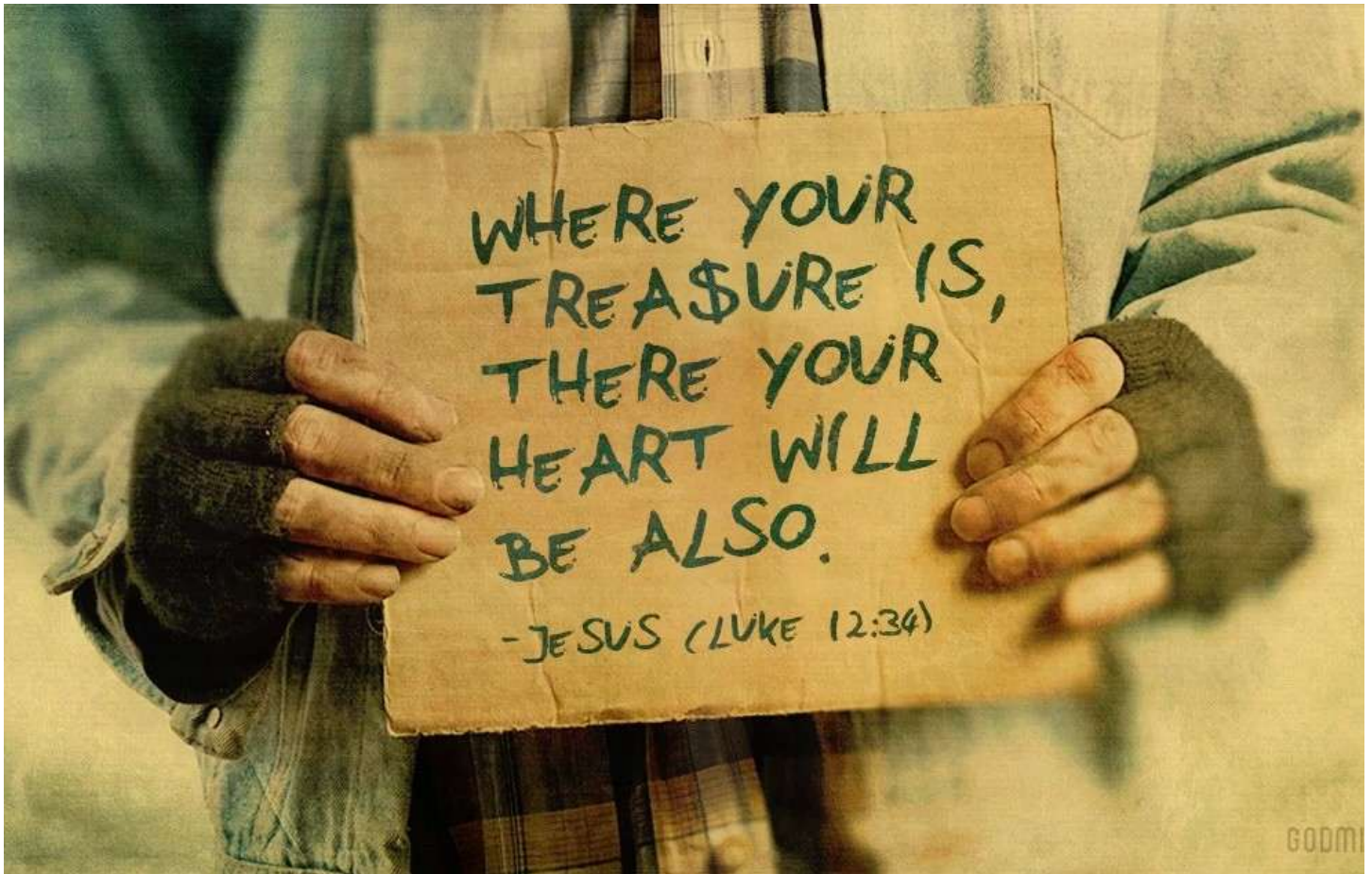


**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**  
**Sunday, August 10, 2025**



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*"We are a community of churches and a church to the community."*

Welcome to worship with First Evangelical and Holy Cross churches. We come together for worship each Sunday to share in the ministry and mission of our Lord Jesus Christ with our own unique traditions and history. Seven other Christian ministries are located onsite with us.

If you are a guest or visitor and would like to know more about First Evangelical or Holy Cross, please reach out to one of our ushers, pastors, or fill out a welcome card and drop it in the offering boxes. Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. May God bless you.

## WELCOME / INVOCATION

**SONG:** *Open the Eyes of My Heart* by Michael W Smith

<p><b>[Verse]</b> Open the eyes of my heart, Lord Open the eyes of my heart I want to see You, I want to see You</p> <p>Open the eyes of my heart, Lord Open the eyes of my heart I want to see You, I want to see You</p> <p><b>[Chorus]</b> To see You high and lifted up Shinin' in the light of Your glory Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy, holy, holy</p> <p><b>[Verse]</b> Open the eyes of my heart, Lord Open the eyes of my heart I want to see You, I want to see You</p> <p>Open the eyes of my heart, Lord Open the eyes of my heart I want to see You, I want to see You</p> <p><b>[Chorus]</b> To see You high and lifted up Shinin' in the light of Your glory Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy, holy, holy</p>	<p>To see You high and lifted up Shinin' in the light of Your glory Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy, holy, holy</p> <p>To see You high and lifted up Shinin' in the light of Your glory Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy, holy, holy</p> <p><b>[Bridge]</b> Holy, holy, holy Holy, holy, holy Holy, holy, holy I want to see You</p> <p>Holy, holy, holy Holy, holy, holy Holy, holy, holy I want to see You</p> <p>Holy, holy, holy Holy, holy, holy Holy, holy, holy I want to see You</p>
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### **VERSE:**

Spirit sound  
Rushing wind  
Fire of God fall within  
Holy Ghost  
Breathe on us we pray

As we repent  
Turn from sin  
Revival embers smouldering  
Breath of God  
Fan us into flame

### **CHORUS:**

We need a fresh wind  
The fragrance of heaven  
Pour Your Spirit out  
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A holy anointing  
The power of Your presence  
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### **BRIDGE:**

Let all the redeemed  
Prophesy and sing  
We can hear the wind  
Blowing blowing blowing

Move upon our praise  
Sons and daughters sing  
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**SONG:** *Nothing Else* by Cody Carnes

**Chorus:**

I'm caught up in Your presence  
I just want to sit here at Your feet  
I'm caught up in this holy moment  
I never want to leave

Oh, I'm not here for blessings  
Jesus, You don't owe me anything  
More than anything that You can do  
I just want You

**Verse:**

I'm sorry when I've just gone through  
the motions  
I'm sorry when I just sang another song  
Take me back to where we started  
I open up my heart to You

I'm sorry when I've come with my  
agenda  
I'm sorry when I forgot that You're  
enough  
Take me back to where we started  
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**Bridge:**

I just want You  
Nothing else, nothing else  
Nothing else will do

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Nothing else, nothing else  
Nothing else will do

I just want You  
Nothing else, nothing else  
Nothing else will do

I just want You  
Nothing else, nothing else, Jesus  
Nothing else will do

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. . .

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are welcoming **Rosa Torres** from **Better Together** this morning. This organization partners with churches to help keep families together, empower families to find employment and opportunities that bring stability, hope and success.
- We will be welcoming a wonderful group of **New Members** next Sunday!
- **Conniston Middle School** is in need of the following items to be donated so they can hand them out to students in need. The need is ASAP but no exact deadline as they get dispersed throughout the school year.  
*Clear Mesh Backpacks - Glue Sticks*  
*Notebooks with lined paper - Pencil Pouches*
- Help feed a friend with our **Food Drive** this summer! Dry goods are being collected at the back of the church and given to the Palm Beach County Food Bank. Please, **NO GLASS** items. Jhadha delivered **92 pounds** of food last month, helping to provide over **77 nutritious meals** to families, children, seniors and individuals in need throughout Palm Beach County. This mission project will continue through August, keep the food coming! Thank you.
- First Evangelical's **Church Council** will meet today after worship.
- First Evangelical's **Anniversary Committee** will meet next Sunday at 11:30.
- Join us for a **delicious lunch** following worship today in the Fellowship Hall.

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

*The elementary-aged children are excused for **Sunday School class**.*

### **FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6**

*God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir and that his descendants will number as many as the stars. Abram trusts God's promise, and through this faith he is considered righteous.*

### **The Lord's Covenant With Abram**

**15** After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision:

"Do not be afraid, Abram.

I am your shield,  
your very great reward."

<sup>2</sup> But Abram said, "Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup> And Abram said, "You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir."

<sup>4</sup> Then the word of the Lord came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir." <sup>5</sup> He took him outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring[d] be."

<sup>6</sup> Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

**R:** Word of God, Word of Life

**C: Thanks be to God**

## SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

*Abraham and Sarah exemplify the vision of faith that people of God enact in every age. Their hope and trust in God's promise allowed them to face an unknown future and to receive the promise of God.*

**11** Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. **2** This is what the ancients were commended for.

**3** By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

**8** By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. **9** By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. **10** For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. **11** And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered him faithful who had made the promise. **12** And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore.

**13** All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth. **14** People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. **15** If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return. **16** Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

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## **GOSPEL READING: Luke 12:32-40**

**P:** The Holy Gospel, according to Saint Luke.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>32</sup> “Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup> Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>35</sup> “Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, <sup>36</sup> like servants waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him. <sup>37</sup> It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. Truly I tell you, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on them. <sup>38</sup> It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in the middle of the night or toward daybreak. <sup>39</sup> But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup> You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.”

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.


**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Pastor Dan Baker



## HYMN: *Have No Fear, Little Flock*



1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle  
2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle  
3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord high a -  
4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to

flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to  
flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in  
bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -  
God, for he stays close be - side you, in

give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!  
his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!  
lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!  
all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**P:** Father of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination*

P: Everlasting Father,

**C: We confess how we have not lived as your people.**

**We serve many masters—work, wealth, power, addictions—  
yet find no hope in them.**

**We hear the cries of the poor,  
and shut the doors of our hearts to them.**

**We ridicule those who expose their hopes and dreams to us.**

**Forgive us, our compassionate God,  
and heal us of our brokenness.**

**Make us well, so that by our healing,  
we might be the hope and love others need in their lives,  
even as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior,  
brought these gifts to us,  
calling us to be faithful  
with the grace, peace, and joy entrusted to us.**

P: Now that we have let go of the pain,  
the bitterness, the anger of our lives,  
let us be kind, tender-hearted, and gentle towards each other,  
forgiving as God has forgiven us.

**C: We are God's beloved children,  
and will model God's grace and love in our hearts.  
Thanks be to God! We are forgiven! Amen.**

## **THE OFFERING**

***Your OFFERING is received in the back of the church.  
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## THE PRAYERS

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and Praise.**

**SONG:** *“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow’r and might,  
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

### 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.**

### THE DISTRIBUTION – CONTINUOUS FORMAT *(Silence is appreciated)*

We practice Open Communion at Holy Cross and First Evangelical. If you believe that the Holy Sacrament carries with it the promises of the forgiveness of sins and eternal life and are a **baptized Christian** – you are welcome to receive. We do ask, however, that younger children who have not yet been instructed in the meaning of the sacrament - please come to the chancel for a blessing but refrain from receiving. Grape juice is in the center of the communion trays.

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

### BENEDICTION/ BLESSING

### DISMISSAL

**P: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.**

**C: Thanks be to God**

**WELCOME** to all and thank you for joining us in worship today as we give thanks and praise to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We pray that the service will be meaningful and uplifting for you. If you are a first-time visitor, please sign the Guest Register. You are invited to stay for coffee and refreshments following the service. We very much would like to greet you and hope to make you feel welcome.

### **Serving in Worship**

<b>Pastors</b>	- Rev. Daniel D. Baker & Rev. Dr. Michael Breznen
<b>Crucifers</b>	- Tom Kalorgis, Hilkka Schroderus-Rowe
<b>Liturgists</b>	- Dianne Breznen, Sera Butz
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	- Dianne Breznen, Sera Butz, Hilkka Schroderus-Rowe
<b>Sound/Live Stream</b>	- Ken Burton
<b>Video</b>	- Sera Butz, Scot Alexander

	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
<b>Musicians</b>	CAC-WPB	Sandra Baran
<b>Lector</b>	Dianne Breznen	Kathrine Summers

### **Remember in Prayer**

We pray for peace between nations and peoples and for just resolutions to the conflicts throughout the world – especially the people of Israel and fellow believers facing life-threatening persecution; those in war-torn countries; for all members of our armed services and law enforcement personnel; for our country and our nation’s leaders; for the Church, Church leaders, for **Youth for Christ**, and all faithful witnesses to the Gospel; for our missionaries – **Anthony and Soyoung Sellari** and their work in Egypt.

We pray for God’s healing presence to be with: **Lesley Hogan** (friend of Katherine Summers); **Kirk, Leona, Lisa & Don, Sandy, Carl, Trish, Lou, Allan, Carson, David S., Gertrude, Holly, Katie, Linda, Marilynn, Patrick and Christopher, George & Susan Butz** (Sera’s parents); **Linda Zier** – lung cancer (Lori Kinney’s friend); **Cyndy Sellari** – for healing; **Joan Cannon** – health issues; and members of the **Holy Cross and First Evangelical Church** families who are at home and unable to attend.

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