

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Sunday, June 28, 2026

I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

Matthew 10:34



**First Evangelical & Holy Cross Churches**

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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

### PROCESSIONAL SONG: *Happy Day*

#### Verse 1

The greatest day in history  
Death is beaten, You have rescued me  
Sing it out, Jesus is alive

#### Verse 2

The empty cross, the empty grave  
Life eternal, You have won the day  
Shout it out, Jesus is alive  
He's alive

#### Chorus

Oh, happy day, happy day  
You washed my sin away  
Oh, happy day, happy day  
I'll never be the same  
Forever I am changed

#### Verse 3

When I stand in that place  
Free at last, meeting face to face  
I am yours, Jesus, You are mine

#### Verse 4

Endless joy, perfect peace  
Earthly pain finally will cease  
Celebrate, Jesus is alive  
He's alive

#### Chorus

And oh, happy day, happy day  
You washed my sin away  
Oh, happy day, happy day  
I'll never be the same  
Oh no, forever I am changed

#### Chorus

Oh, what a glorious day  
What a glorious way  
That You have saved me  
And oh, what a glorious day  
What a glorious name

#### Chorus

Hey, and oh, happy day, happy day  
You washed my sin away  
Oh, happy day, happy day  
I'll never be the same  
Oh no, forever I am changed  
What a glorious, glorious day  
I'll never be the same

**SONG:** *Fresh Wind*

**Verse 1**

Spirit sound rushing wind  
Fire of God fall within  
Holy Ghost breathe on us  
We pray

**Verse 2**

As we repent turn from sin  
Revival embers smoldering  
Breath of God  
Fan us into flame

**Chorus 1**

We need a fresh wind  
The fragrance of Heaven  
Pour Your Spirit out  
Pour Your Spirit out

**Verse 3**

From hearts that burn  
With holy fear  
Purified in faith and deed  
Refiner's fire  
Strengthen what remains

**Verse 4**

So we the Church  
Who bear Your light  
Lamp aflame city bright  
King and Kingdom come  
Is what we pray

**Chorus 1**

We need a fresh wind  
The fragrance of Heaven  
Pour Your Spirit out  
Pour Your Spirit out

**Chorus 2**

A holy anointing  
The power of Your presence  
Pour Your Spirit out  
Pour Your Spirit out  
Pour Your Spirit out

**Refrain- 2x**

Pour Your Spirit out  
Pour Your Spirit out  
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**Bridge 1**

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

**Bridge 2**

Move upon our praise  
Sons and daughters sing  
We can hear the wind B  
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**Chorus 1 - Repeat**

**Chorus 2 - Repeat**

**SONG:** *Holy Forever*

**Verse 1**

A thousand generations Falling down in  
worship  
To sing the song of ages To the Lamb  
All who've gone before us  
And all who will believe  
Will sing the song of ages To the Lamb

**Pre Chorus**

Your Name is the highest  
Your Name is the greatest  
Your Name stands above them all  
All thrones and dominions  
All powers and positions  
Your Name stands above them all

**Chorus 1**

And the angels cry holy  
All creation cries holy  
You are lifted high Holy holy forever

**Verse 2**

If you've been forgiven  
And if you've been redeemed  
Sing the song forever To the Lamb  
If you walk in freedom If you bear His  
name  
Sing the song forever To the Lamb

**Tag**

Sing the song forever and amen

**Chorus 1**

And the angels cry holy  
All creation cries holy  
You are lifted high Holy holy forever

**Chorus 2**

Hear Your people sing holy  
To the King of Kings holy  
You will always be Holy holy forever

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**Tag**

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. . .

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Welcome to worship** with First Evangelical and Holy Cross churches. If you would like more information about our churches, please talk to one of the pastors, call, or email the office. We will have **new member orientation** on July 26 after worship, and **welcoming new members** in worship on August 23rd. We look forward to hearing from you.
- Join us after worship today for a **delicious lunch** in the Fellowship Hall.
- Join us in supporting the local **Palm Beach County Food Bank**. Please bring your non-perishable food items (no glass) through the end of June and drop in one of the large boxes at the back of church. Items can include peanut butter, canned soup, oatmeal, protein bars, rice, pasta, etc. You have until Wednesday to drop off items. We will deliver them to the Food Bank on Thursday.
- In July we will be kicking off our **“Back to School Supplies Drive”** – Lined notebooks, glue sticks, clear or mesh backpacks, pencil pouches.
- **Grace Notes String Camp** continues onsite through July 10<sup>th</sup> for area youth. Their teachers will be sharing some special music for us during worship on July 5<sup>th</sup>. The students will have a concert on Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.
- Come celebrate the **250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Nation’s Independence** next Sunday in worship. We will have special music (Grace Notes String Ensemble), pianist Anne Akerson, and a festive lunch.
- **Holy Cross Church Council** will meet **July 12** after worship.
- **Holy Cross Church Congregational** will meet **July 19** after worship.

**CHILDRENS MESSAGE** - *The elementary-aged children are excused for Flame, our Sunday School class.*

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 28:5-9**

<sup>5</sup> Then the prophet Jeremiah replied to the prophet Hananiah before the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord. <sup>6</sup> He said, “Amen! May the Lord do so! May the Lord fulfill the words you have prophesied by bringing the articles of the Lord’s house and all the exiles back to this place from Babylon. <sup>7</sup> Nevertheless, listen to what I have to say in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people: <sup>8</sup> From early times the prophets who preceded you and me have prophesied war, disaster and plague against many countries and great kingdoms. <sup>9</sup> But the prophet who prophesies peace will be recognized as one truly sent by the Lord only if his prediction comes true.”

R: Word of God, Word of Life

**C: Thanks be to God**

**SECOND READING: Romans 7:1-13**

<sup>7</sup> Do you not know, brothers and sisters—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law has authority over someone only as long as that person lives? <sup>2</sup> For example, by law a married woman is bound to her husband as long as he is alive, but if her husband dies, she is released from the law that binds her to him. <sup>3</sup> So then, if she has sexual relations with another man while her husband is still alive, she is called an adulteress. But if her husband dies, she is released from that law and is not an adulteress if she marries another man.

<sup>4</sup> So, my brothers and sisters, you also died to the law through the body of Christ, that you might belong to another, to him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit for God. <sup>5</sup> For when we were in the realm of the flesh, the sinful passions aroused by the law were at work in us, so that we bore fruit for death. <sup>6</sup> But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code.

<sup>7</sup> What shall we say, then? Is the law sinful? Certainly not! Nevertheless, I would not have known what sin was had it not been for the law. For I would not have known what coveting really was if the law had not said, “You shall not covet.” <sup>8</sup> But sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, produced in me every kind of coveting. For apart from the law, sin was dead. <sup>9</sup> Once I was alive apart from the law; but when the commandment came, sin sprang to life and I died. <sup>10</sup> I found that the very commandment that was intended to bring life actually brought death. <sup>11</sup> For sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, deceived me, and through the commandment put me to death. <sup>12</sup> So then, the law is holy, and the commandment is holy, righteous and good.

<sup>13</sup> Did that which is good, then, become death to me? By no means! Nevertheless, in order that sin might be recognized as sin, it used what is good to bring about my death, so that through the commandment sin might become utterly sinful.

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

**C: Thanks be to God**

### **GOSPEL READING: Matthew 10:34-42**

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

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

<sup>34</sup> “Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to turn

“a man against his father,

a daughter against her mother,  
a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law—

<sup>36</sup> a man’s enemies will be the members of his own household.’

<sup>37</sup> “Anyone who loves their father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves their son or daughter more than me is not worthy of

me. <sup>38</sup> Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of

me. <sup>39</sup> Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it.

<sup>40</sup> “Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. <sup>41</sup> Whoever welcomes a prophet as a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person as a righteous person will receive a righteous person’s reward. <sup>42</sup> And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON**

Pastor Michael Breznen

**VIDEO**

**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:** Most merciful God,

**C: We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and are not worthy to be called your children. Have mercy on us and turn us from our sinful ways. Bring us back to you as those who were once dead but now have life, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**P:** The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in love. Through the Holy Spirit God gives life, freedom from the power of sin, and resurrection from the dead. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live and walk in the newness of life.

**C: Amen.**

## THE OFFERING

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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 Hosts

Heaven and Earth Are full of Your Glory!

Hosanna! (Hosanna!) In the Highest

Blessed is he who comes In the name of the Lord!

Hosanna! (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)*

**Special Music** – *solo by Carol Roberts*

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**

Compassionate God,  
through the gifts of bread and wine  
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.  
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,  
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus,  
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

### **THE BLESSING**

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,  
✠ one God,  
bless, heal, and hold you  
today and always.

**C: Amen.**

### **DISMISSAL**

P: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

**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.

### Serving in Worship

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

	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
<b>Musicians / Singers</b>	CAC-WPB	Sandra Baran,
<b>Lector</b>	Hilikka Schroderus-Rowe	Susan Moncher
<b>Ushers</b>	Katherine S., Judith M.	Katherine S., Judith M.
<b>Greeters</b>	Bob S. & Susan M.	Bob S. & Susan M.

### 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. For **Randy and Vania Benhart** in the passing of his father, **Ronald Benhart**

We pray for God’s healing presence to be with: **Nick, Jamie, Leona, Bob, Hal, Elihana, Debbie Ann, Luis & Foil, Saul & Martha, Carol & Darryl, Dennis, Bill, Cynthia, Dylan, John, Lisa & Don, Raj, Sandy, Carl, Trish, Lou, Allan, Carson, David, Gertrude, Holly, Katie, Linda, Marilyn & Patrick, Lesley, Linda, Joan** and members of the **Holy Cross and First Evangelical Church families** who are at home and unable to attend.

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