

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Sunday, August 2, 2026



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

OPENING SONG: *"Open The Eyes Of My Heart"*

Verse 1

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You

Chorus

To see You high and lifted up
Shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy holy holy

Verse 3

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You
Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You

Chorus

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Shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy holy holy
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Pour out Your power and love
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Bridge

Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
I want to see you
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
I want to see you
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
I want to see you
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
I want to see you

SONG: *"Ever Be"*

Verse

Your love is devoted
Like a ring of solid gold
Like a vow that is tested
Like a covenant of old
Your love is enduring
Through the winter rain
And beyond the horizon
With mercy for today
Faithful You have been
And faithful you will be
You pledge yourself to me
And it's why I sing

Chorus

Your praise will ever be on my lips,
Ever be on my lips
Your praise will ever be on my lips,
Ever be on my lips
Your praise will ever be on my lips,
Ever be on my lips
Your praise will ever be on my lips,
Ever be on my lips

Verse

You Father the orphan
Your kindness makes us whole
And you shoulder our weakness
And your strength becomes our own
Now you're making me like you
Clothing me in white
Bringing beauty from ashes
For You will have Your bride
Free of all her guilt and rid of all her shame
And known by her true name
And it's why I sing

Chorus

Your praise will ever be on my lips,
Ever be on my lips
Your praise will ever be on my lips,
Ever be on my lips
Your praise will ever be on my lips,
Ever be on my lips
Your praise will ever be on my lips,
Ever be on my lips

Bridge

You will be praised
You will be praised
With angels and saints do we sing
Worthy are You Lord
You will be praised
You will be praised
With angels and saints do we sing
Worthy are You Lord
You will be praised
You will be praised
With angels and saints do we sing
Worthy are You Lord
You will be praised
You will be praised
With angels and saints do we sing
Worthy are You Lord
And it's why I sing

Chorus

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Ever be on my lips
Your praise will ever be on my lips,
Ever be on my lips

SONG: *"No One Like The Lord"*

Verse

There is One on the throne
Jesus holy
He is worthy of praise
Honor and glory

Chorus

Worthy is the Lamb
Who was slain and seated on the throne
There's no one like the Lord
Elders creatures bow
Giving praise to Him and Him alone
There's no one like the Lord

Verse

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Chorus

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Who was slain and seated on the throne
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Giving praise to Him and Him alone
There's no one like the Lord

Bridge 1

We crown You King of glory
We crown You King of glory
We crown You King of glory
We crown You Lord of all

Bridge 2

We crown You You are worthy
We crown You You are worthy
We crown You You are worthy
We crown You Lord of all

Bridge 1 (Repeat)

Chorus

Worthy is the Lamb
Who was slain and seated on the throne
There's no one like the Lord
Elders creatures bow
Giving praise to Him and Him alone
There's no one like the Lord

Bridge 1 (Repeat)

Bridge 2 (Repeat)

Bridge 1 (Repeat)

Bridge 2 (Repeat)

Tag 1

We crown You King of glory
We crown You King of glory
We crown You King of glory
We crown You Lord of all

Chorus

Worthy is the Lamb
Who was slain and seated on the throne
There's no one like the Lord
Elders creatures bow
Giving praise to Him and Him alone
There's no one like the Lord

Tag 2

There's no one like the Lord
There's no one like the Lord
There's no one like the Lord
There's no one like the Lord

Bridge 1 (Repeat)

Bridge 2 (Repeat)

Bridge 1 (Repeat)

Bridge 2 (Repeat)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. . .

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, 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. Join us after worship today for a delicious **lunch** in the Fellowship Hall.
- Help kids at Conniston Middle School by gathering items for our **“Back to School Supplies Drive”** through the end of August – Drop off items include: mesh backpacks, 6 tab dividers, 1 subject spiral notebooks, three hole punch pencil pouches, three hold punch rulers, sharpened #2 pencils, magic rub erasers, black-blue-red pens, college ruled notebook paper, reinforcement labels, glue sticks, highlighters. Please place them in box in the back.
- Mark your calendars for our **“Back to School Blessing”** on Sunday, August 9th after worship. We will have special arts & crafts, games and more, for kids, parents and adults during the lunch hour. Invite families with children to join us for this special day, and register for “Flame”, our weekly Sunday School for elementary-aged kids.
- The **Sunflower Christian Academy**, just a few blocks east of us, are enrolling students for this fall’s school year. They will have an information table set up on August 9th for anyone interested to know more. They served PreK3 to 2nd grade, offer microschool for special abilities, after school programs for 5-12 year olds, and summer camp. www.scawpb.com
- Special farewell blessing for **Donna Clapp** by Katherine Summers.

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

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:1-5

55 “Come, all you who are thirsty,
come to the waters;

and you who have no money,
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without cost.

² Why spend money on what is not bread,
and your labor on what does not satisfy?

Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good,
and you will delight in the richest of fare.

³ Give ear and come to me;
listen, that you may live.

I will make an everlasting covenant with you,
my faithful love promised to David.

⁴ See, I have made him a witness to the peoples,
a ruler and commander of the peoples.

⁵ Surely you will summon nations you know not,
and nations you do not know will come running to you,
because of the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel,
for he has endowed you with splendor.”

R: Word of God, Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God

SECOND READING: Romans 9:1-5

9 I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it through the Holy Spirit— ² I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, those of my own race, ⁴ the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption to sonship; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. ⁵ Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.

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C: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 14:13-21

P: The Holy Gospel, according to Saint Matthew.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³ When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

¹⁵ As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.”

¹⁶ Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.”

¹⁷ “We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered.

¹⁸ “Bring them here to me,” he said. ¹⁹ And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. ²⁰ They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ²¹ The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

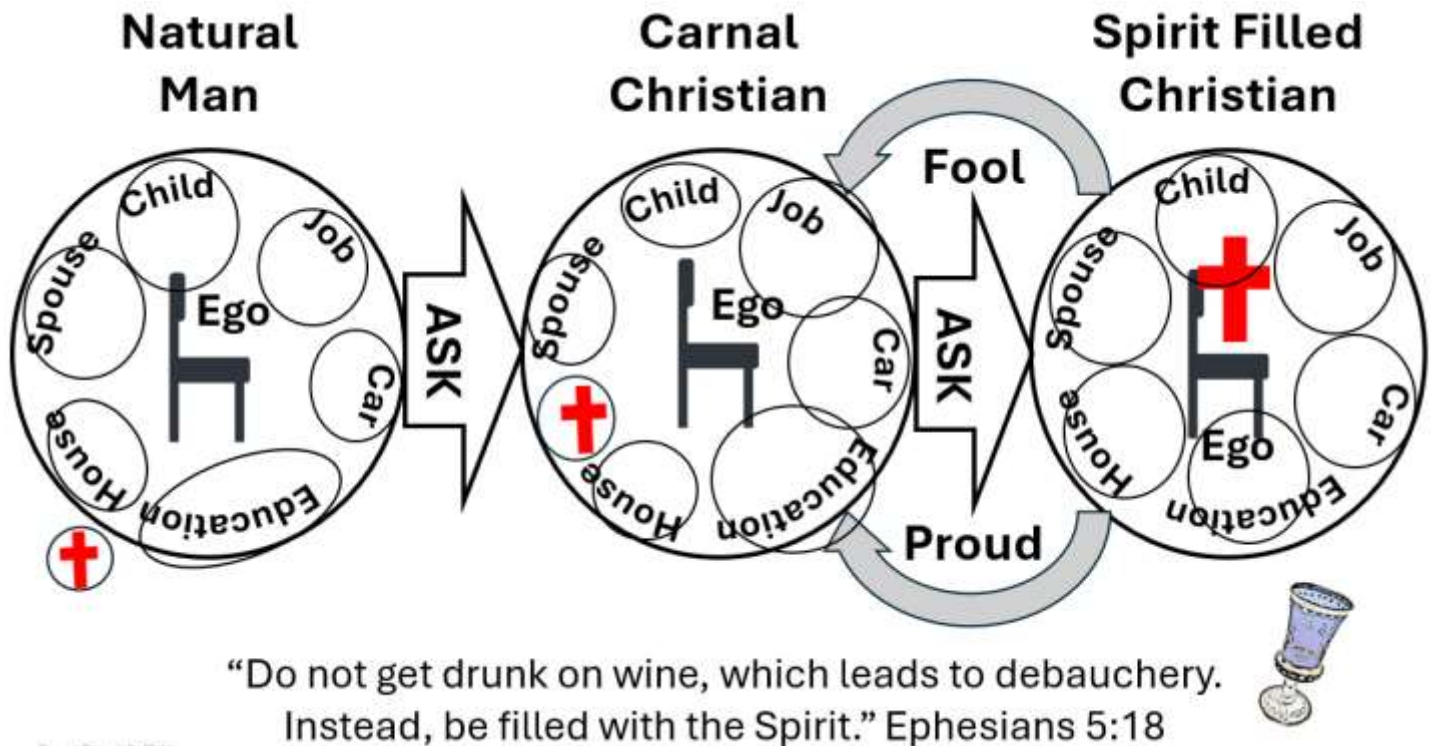
P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Michael Breznen

Sermon text: “Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit.” Ephesians 5:18



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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 - *(Sung)*

**C: Our Father, which 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 debts,

As we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

And the power,

And the glory, forever.

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.

AARONIC BLESSING IN HEBREW & ENGLISH

P: “The LORD bless you and keep you,
Y’varech’cha Adonai v’yeesh’m’reicha.

The LORD make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you;
Yaer Adonai panav eleicha veechooneka.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace.”
Yeesa Adonai panav eleicha v’yasem l’cha shalom.

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, Hilkka Schroderus-Rowe
Liturgists	- Dianne Breznen
Communion Assistants	- Dianne Breznen, Hilkka Schroderus-Rowe
Sound/Live Stream	- Ken Burton
Video/Live Stream	- Scot Alexander/Sera Butz

	This Week	Next Week
Musicians / Singers	CAC-WPB	Sandra Baran
Lector	Judith Miller	Gary Sellari
Ushers	Katherine S., Judith M.	Katherine S., Judith M.
Greeters	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.

We pray for God’s healing presence to be with: **Nick, Jamie, Elihana, Debbie Ann, Saul & Martha, Carol & Darryl, Dennis, Bill, Cynthia, Dylan, John, Lisa & Don, Raj, Sandy, Carl, Trish, Lou, Allan, Carson, David, Gertrude, Holly, Katie, Linda, Marilynn & 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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