

THERE WILL BE MORE  
REJOICING  
IN HEAVEN  
OVER ONE SINNER  
WHO REPENTS  
THAN OVER 99  
RIGHTEOUS PERSONS WHO  
DO NOT  
NEED TO  
REPENT.  
LUKE 15:7

## “One Percent”

September 11, 2022

# Friendship Celebration Lutheran Church

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8:15am Bob Yocum – 11:00am Chris Salvaggio

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## Preservice Song: “God The Uncreated One”

God the uncreated One The Author of salvation  
Who wrote the laws of space and time, who fashioned worlds to His design  
The One whom angel hosts revere, hung the stars like chandeliers  
Numbered every grain of sand, knows the heart of every man  
He is King forever, He is King forever, He is King forevermore

God our fortress and our strength, the Rock on which we can depend  
Matchless in His majesty, His power and authority  
Unshaken by the schemes of man, never changing great I Am  
Kingdoms rise and kingdoms fall, He is faithful through it all  
Crown Him King forever, Crown Him King forever, Crown Him King forevermore

Mighty God in mortal flesh, forsaken by a traitor's kiss  
The curse of sin and centuries, did pierce the lowly Prince of Peace  
Oh, lifted high the sinless man, crucified the spotless Lamb  
Buried by the sons of man, rescued by the Father's hand  
To reign as King forever, Reign as King forever, Reign as King forevermore

King eternal, God of grace, we crown You with the highest praise  
Heaven shouts and saints adore, "You're holy, holy, holy Lord"  
What joy is everlasting life, all is love and faith is sight  
Justice rolls and praises rise, at the name of Jesus Christ  
King of kings forever, King of kings forever, King of kings forevermore

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## Welcome & Announcements

### Invocation and Opening Prayer

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

**Congregation: Amen.**

Pastor: Come, let us bow down in worship,

**Congregation: let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;**

Pastor: for he is our God

**Congregation: and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.**

### Opening Song: "10,000 Reasons"

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,

Worship His holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul,

I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;

It's time to sing Your song again.

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,

Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,

Worship His holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul,

I'll worship Your holy name.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,

Your name is great and Your heart is kind;

For all Your goodness I will keep on singing,

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,  
Worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul,  
I'll worship Your holy name.

And on that day when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near and my time has come;  
Still my soul sings Your praise unending,  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,  
Worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul,  
I'll worship Your holy name.

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Worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul,  
I'll worship Your holy name.

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I'll worship Your holy name.

Sing like never before O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name  
Worship Your holy name, worship Your holy name

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## Friendship Fotos

### First Reading

### Ezekiel 34:11-24 ESV

8:15am Lynn House  
11:00am Charlene Harshman

<sup>11</sup>“For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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. <sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. <sup>16</sup>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.

<sup>17</sup>“As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. <sup>18</sup>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? <sup>19</sup>And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet?

<sup>20</sup>“Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup>Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, <sup>22</sup>I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. <sup>23</sup>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. <sup>24</sup>And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.

## Holy Gospel

## Luke 15:1-10 ESV

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

<sup>3</sup>So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup>“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? <sup>5</sup>And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. <sup>6</sup>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.’ <sup>7</sup>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.

<sup>8</sup>“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? <sup>9</sup>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.’ <sup>10</sup>Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

## **Affirmation of Faith**

**Congregation:** We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, Come, Lord Jesus!

## **Children's Message**

*Tim Kaufmann*

**Friendship Cards/Prayer Requests** *We ask all who are present today to please fill out a Friendship Card and place it on the offering table on either side of the sanctuary. (Any updated member information is especially appreciated!)*

**Offering** *You may give your offering online through the church website [www.friendshipcelebration.org](http://www.friendshipcelebration.org), by signing up for automatic withdrawals which links to savings/checking account or debit/credit card (form is also available on church website), or by mailing your check to the church office.*

## **Sermon Song: "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"**

Savior, like a shepherd lead us;  
Much we need Your tender care.  
In Your pleasant pastures feed us.  
For our use Your fold prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
You have bought us; we are Yours.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
You have bought us; we are Yours.  
We are Yours; in love befriend us,

Be the guardian of our way;  
Keep Your flock, from sin defend us,  
Seek us when we go astray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
Hear us children when we pray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
Hear us children when we pray.

You have promised to receive us,  
Poor and sinful though we be;  
You have mercy to relieve us,  
Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
Early let us turn to You.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
Early let us turn to You.

Early let us seek Your favor,  
Early let us do Your will;  
Blessed Lord and only Savior,  
With Your love our spirits fill.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
You have loved us, love us still.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus.  
You have loved us, love us still.

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## Sermon: *“One Percent”*

## Luke 15

You would think that 99% would be good enough! It is for many things, but there's a sense of dissatisfaction on God's part when not all of His sheep are safe and sound. What does this well-known parable tell us about individual worth, the heart of God and the mission at hand?

### Good Enough?

Luke 15 = “Lost” chapter

Our gracious host

Pharisaical Thoughts:

- 1) a sinner is beyond saving (too \_\_\_\_\_ )
- 2) self-righteousness is acceptable (too \_\_\_\_\_ )

Luther: “God satisfies none but the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.”

## **Ninety-Nine Sent Men, You**

Who are the 99? Who is the one?

Separation is not \_\_\_\_\_.

What does the shepherd not do?

“There will be more \_\_\_\_\_ in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance” (Lk 15:7).

## **Humility and Humanity**

Luther’s “Only and Gladly”

It’s not that 99% isn’t good enough. It’s that our God is \_\_\_\_\_ good.

## **Head (what?)**

By using these parables, what is Jesus’ message to the following groups of people:

Pharisees and scribes? Sinners? The disciples?

Why did the Pharisees and scribes consider it wrong to eat with sinners?

What about the 99? Are they put at risk somehow?

## **Heart (so what?)**

What does this parable tell us about God’s heart?

Tell of a time which you found something that was lost. How did you feel once the item was found?

Do we find or are we found?

What if someone doesn’t know they’re lost?

## **Hands (now what?)**

What is God calling you to do to befriend the lost?

How does discipling someone increase your love and joy for people?

What can you do to encourage a fellow believer?

## **Song of Response: “We Believe”**

In this time of desperation when all we know is doubt and fear

There is only one foundation we believe, we believe

In this broken generation when all is dark You help us see

There is only one salvation we believe, we believe

We believe in God the Father, we believe in Jesus Christ  
We believe in the Holy Spirit and He's given us new life  
We believe in the crucifixion we believe that He conquered death  
We believe in the resurrection and He's coming back again we believe

So let our faith be more than anthems greater than the songs we sing  
And in our weakness and temptations we believe we believe

We believe in God the Father, we believe in Jesus Christ  
We believe in the Holy Spirit and He's given us new life  
We believe in the crucifixion we believe that He conquered death  
We believe in the resurrection and He's coming back again

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised  
In the here and now let love invade  
Let the church live loud our God will save  
We believe we believe  
And the gates of hell will not prevail  
For the pow'r of God has torn the veil  
Now we know Your love will never fail  
We believe we believe

We believe in God the Father, we believe in Jesus Christ  
We believe in the Holy Spirit and He's given us new life  
We believe in the crucifixion we believe that He conquered death  
We believe in the resurrection and He's coming back  
He's coming back again  
He's coming back again  
We believe we believe

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## Installation of Preschool Staff

Lori Jensen,	Director & 4's teacher
Terri Dockweiler	4's teacher
Michelle Rickerl	3's teacher
Vanessa Wargo	2's teacher & PM teacher assistant
Ashley Ingalls	2's teacher assistant
Karen Malloy	AM teacher assistant

## Prayers

**Pastor:** Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, your unworthy servants, give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.

**Congregation:** **We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life, but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

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.

## Sending

**Pastor:** Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love.

## Blessing

**Pastor:** 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 favor and give you peace.

**Congregation:** **Amen.**

## Closing Song: “Great Is the Lord”

Great is the Lord He is holy and just  
By His power we trust in His love  
Great is the Lord He is faithful and true  
By His mercy He proves He is love

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory  
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise  
Great is the Lord now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice  
Great is the Lord  
Great is the Lord

Great is the Lord He is holy and just  
By His power we trust in His love  
Great is the Lord He is faithful and true  
By His mercy He proves He is love

Great are You Lord and worthy of glory  
Great are You Lord and worthy of praise  
Great are You Lord, I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice  
Great are You Lord  
Great are You Lord

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## Friendship Celebration Announcements ~ September 11, 2022

**DCE Installation and Dinner Today!** We are pleased to welcome Tim and Joy Kaufmann to Idaho! The installation service for Tim Kaufmann as our DCE will be today at 4 pm. We welcome South Idaho VP Rev. Jonathan Dinger from Grace, Pocatello, who will preside over the installation. We will enjoy a lasagna dinner afterward. Please join together in welcoming Tim and Joy and give thanks to God for their arrival and positive response to the call we extended on June 26.

**Ministry Fair Today!** The annual FCLC Ministry Fair is today from 9:45-10:45 am. This is your prime opportunity to see all the ministry opportunities at FCLC and get connected by joining, learning and serving! We'll also have a bounce house for the kiddos and some fun activities outside. Thanks to all the ministry leaders who make FCLC such an amazing place.

**Voters' Meeting:** There will be a very brief special voters' meeting on Sunday, Sept. 18 at 9:45 am. The single issue of business is to select a pastoral and lay delegate for the Circuit Forum which will choose delegates to the Synodical Convention in 2023. If you're interested in representing FCLC at the Circuit Forum (Good Shepherd, Sat, Sept. 23 at 10 am), please speak with Pastor Matt.

**Calling on Confirmation Students!** Confirmation begins on Sunday, Sept. 25 (4:30-6:00 pm). First year students (7th grade) will learn Bible overview with Tim Kaufmann. Second year students (8th grade) will learn basics of Lutheran doctrine with Pastor Matt. Parents, be sure to stop by the table at the Ministry Fair for more info.

**Nurture Group:** The Nurture Group rescheduled the start date to September 20<sup>th</sup>. They will be covering the "The Chosen" series. This group meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7pm in room 113 at FCLC. Questions? Contact Sharon Knudson at sharonknudson@hotmail.com.

**Grief Class:** Pastor Cizmar's grief class will have reunion classes on September 18<sup>th</sup> and October 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:45. Reunite with your classmates for continued support and fellowship.

**Greeters Needed:** Would you be willing to stand at the sanctuary door and greet folks? You don't have to shake hands or hug. Just acknowledge people and welcome them. Volunteers for second service especially needed. If interested, please contact Paul Graham at: (208) 850-7646 or email at paulg57@hotmail.com.

**Calling All Crafters!** The next Advent By Candlelight and Christmas Shoppe will be held December 3rd at 10am. We need crafters to make things to be sold in the Christmas Shoppe. Men and women, young and old are invited to share their crafting talents. All sizes of gifts are needed. Proceeds from the sale will be donated. Contact Marla Olsen at 208-631-3325 with questions or to sign up to help.

**Prayers for Perkins:** Please keep camp in your prayers, that the buildings would be saved and the fire would be contained quickly.

**Pastor's Class on Mormonism:** How can we better understand and respectfully share the true gospel with our LDS friends and family? Starting Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, at 9:45 in the sanctuary, Pastor Matt will be teaching a class on Mormonism. Before we can share our faith, we must first begin with their viewpoint in mind so we don't talk past each other. You are invited to learn and discover how the differences of doctrine and even the language shape their worldview and daily life. If you have LDS friends or family, this class is especially applicable! If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Matt. Thanks!

**LWML FALL RALLY:** Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church is hosting the LWML Western Zone Fall Rally October 1<sup>st</sup>. The theme is "For Us and With Us" Romans 8:31-39. There will be a Bible study with Rev. Dan Jones, lunch provided and babysitting available upon request. For more information or to RSVP contact Charlotte Schafer at 208-863-3096. Please RSVP by September 21st.

**Lutheran Hour Ministries Virtual Event:** LHM is a trusted resource in global media that equips and engages a vibrant volunteer base to passionately proclaim the Gospel to more than 150 million people worldwide each week. Join us from 9:30am to noon Saturday, September 24 at FCLC, or from your home computer, to learn and celebrate how the Gospel is proclaimed in over 60 countries. The event will include: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, Speaker of The Lutheran Hour with a special devotion, President & CEO Kurt Buchholz and Vice President of Global Ministries Rev. Dr. Tony Cook sharing updates on LHM's international outreach and global expansion, videos from some of our ministry centers, and information about LHM's online mission trip, Gospel Adventures. Register today at [lhm.org/III2022](http://lhm.org/III2022) selecting Friendship Celebration Lutheran Church or participate from home. For more information contact Dale Bentley, [bentleydale1976@gmail.com](mailto:bentleydale1976@gmail.com). Online registration is open through September 22.

**Welcome Desk Hosts Needed:** Love to meet new people? Consider volunteering to help out at the Welcome Desk on Sunday mornings. You would be at the Welcome Desk in the Fellowship Hall to greet our guests, visitors, and newer members and answer any questions they might have about Friendship Celebration. Interested in serving? Contact Paul Graham (208-850-7646).

**Women's Brunch:** The Women's Fellowship Brunch is happening next Saturday, September 17th at 10am. Our guest speaker will be Becki Walters. Come join us for fellowship, food, and fun. Bring a friend or two (or more). All women are welcome! Need more info? Contact Dottie Basye (208-949-5020) or Joan Hammerson (208-961-6503). We look forward to seeing you!!

**New Snack Sign-Up** We have a new way to sign up for Sunday snack. There are several weeks set up, so choose the weekend that works for you. This link is also on our website under Connect/Church in Action Serving Opportunities. Thank you to those who have already started to use this resource!

**Prayer Chain-Prayer Requests:** If you would like to add a prayer to the prayer chain, please contact Donnette House@ 208-297-0775 or [donnette15@gmail.com](mailto:donnette15@gmail.com) to request

**Food Bank:** For the month of September we are collecting canned meats (tuna, chicken, salmon), crackers and bread for the Idaho Food Bank. Any other non-perishable food items are also welcomed. Please leave them in the plastic bin in the Fellowship Hall by the west doors.

**Friendship Fotos:** Summer has wrapped and it's time to settle into the back to school routine. So let's see those smiles - share your back to school photos with us! Send your fun family photos to: [office@friendshipcelebration.org](mailto:office@friendshipcelebration.org) by 9am Friday mornings to be included in the following Sunday's video.

**Stay Connected!** FCLC's Friendly 411 is a weekly e-newsletter that comes out on Thursdays directly to your email inbox. To sign up, email the church office at [office@friendshipcelebration.org](mailto:office@friendshipcelebration.org). You may also request a PDF copy of our monthly Friendly Findings newsletter. Just include "Subscribe FF" to the subject line in your email. All issues of the monthly newsletter are also available on our website.

## Friendship Celebration's Top Ten Core Values



1. Bible-centered Preaching, Teaching and Discipleship  
(2 Timothy 3:16-17; Ephesians 2:8-10)
2. All People Matter to God  
(Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 28:18-20)
3. Praise and Worship  
(Acts 2:42; Psalm 26:8, Colossians 3:16)
4. Well-Mobilized Lay Leadership and Ministerial Staff  
(Ephesians 4:11-13; 1 Peter 4:10)
5. Life Groups, Support Groups and Small Groups  
(Hebrews 10:25)
6. Prayer  
(Matthew 7:7-11; James 5:13-18)
7. Excellence, Process and Evaluation  
(Romans 8:32; Colossians 3:23)
8. Financial Responsibility  
(2 Corinthians 8-9)
9. Fellowship, a Loving Christian Community  
(Acts 2:42; 1 Timothy 6:17)
10. Evangelism, Outreach and Lifestyle Witness  
(Acts 1:8; 1 Peter 3:15)

### *Our Mission Statement*

**Celebrating:** God the Father's love for us in creating us and giving His Son  
**Connecting:** In faith with Jesus, Our Savior, and with others in love and care  
**Communicating:** God's love in the power of the Holy Spirit