PATIENCE
I am slow to anger and endure patiently under the unavoidable pressures of life.

Proverbs 14:29
WHAT ARE WE ABOUT?  
*We want to make Jesus famous.* It is as simple as that. Our purpose in gathering here today is make Jesus known and to know him better. Because if this isn’t about Jesus, it isn’t worth doing.

WORSHIP  
We believe that all instruments, all voices and all people should praise the Lord. We do not worship a “style,” we worship Jesus.

**Traditional Worship** follows a liturgy and the music centers around the organ and piano. The order of worship is inserted into the bulletin. *[9 and 11 a.m. Sundays in the Sanctuary on the north end of the church; 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the chapel]*

**Celebration Worship** uses a praise band and the order of worship and song lyrics are projected on the wall. *[9 and 11 a.m. Sundays and 6 p.m. Wednesdays in the Celebration Hall on the south end of the church]*

Please join us in the Gathering Place after each Sunday service for coffee, cookies and conversation.

COMMUNION  
The sacrament of Communion is celebrated the first Sunday and the following Wednesday of each month and welcome all to participate in this act of worship and remembrance. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Communion is also offered every Sunday in the chapel after worship, except for the first Sunday of the month.

CONNECTING  
We would love to get to know you better. Peruse our website for ways to connect through service, study, or community-building events. Fill out the “connect” card in this bulletin so we can keep in touch.

OFFERING  
We give tithes and offerings as an act of worship, obedience, and thanksgiving. *If you are a guest, you are not expected or obligated to give.*

BELONGING  
If you would like to call FLC your church home, come to our “Belong” gathering the third Sunday of the month at 9 a.m. Contact Shirley Tietz for more information or with questions; stietz@flcfargo or 701-235-7389.

The mission of First Lutheran Church is to bring people into a relationship with Jesus Christ and to help them grow in the Christian faith.
April 17, 2016: Fourth Sunday of Easter
Order of Worship

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS
Message Pastor Laurie Neill
Assisting Pastor Pastor Matt Cordes
Organist/Accompanist Michael Olson
Reader Lauryl Ivers (9:00), Sarah Nelson (11:00)
Cantor Rod Capistran
Cathedral Choir David Ferreira, conductor

PRELUDE “His Eye is on the Sparrow” - arr. Page;
First Lutheran Heavenly Bells
Michael Olson, conductor

SUNDAY FAITHTALK KIDS - 11:00 - “Bind Us Together”
Kathy Ferreira, conductor
Michael Olson, accompanist

ANNOUNCEMENTS /PRAYER

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the Lord who comes to set us free, the mighty Savior who comes to show mercy, the Dawn from on high who guides us into peace.

C: Amen.

P: Let us come before God in confession.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: To you, O God,

C: we lift up our souls. You know us through and through; we confess our sins to you. Remember not our sins; remember us with your steadfast love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

P: Sisters and brothers, come with joy and draw water from the well of salvation. Remember the gift of baptism: your sin is washed away in the name of Jesus; you belong to Christ; you are anointed to serve. Stand up and raise your heads! The reign of God is near.

C: Amen.

(Please stand)
HYMN - “DAY BY DAY” - WOV 746

1 Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me, bringing comfort to my anxious soul. Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you serve and wisdom to obey; I will seek your loving will to burdens grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will

send me draw me nearer to my heavenly goal. guide me o'er the paths I struggle day by day. hear me when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.

Love divine, beyond all mortal measure, brings to I will fear no evil of the morrow, I will Day by day, no matter what betide me, you will

naught the burdens of my quest; Savior, lead me to the home I trust in your enduring grace. Savior, help me bear life's pain and hold me ever in your hand. Savior, with your presence here to

treasure, where at last I'll find eternal rest. sorrow till in glory I behold your face. guide me, I will reach at last the promised land.

(Please be seated)

CATHEDRAL CHOIR - 9:00

“Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen” - arr. Swift
David Ferreira, conductor
Michael Olson, accompanist
P: Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. ☩ Lord, have mercy.

A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

☪ Lord, have mercy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

☪ Lord, have mercy.

A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. ☩ Lord, have mercy.

☪ Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. ☪ Amen.
HYMN OF PRAISE

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

G Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you. G And also with you.
P: Let us pray.

C: Heavenly Father, we come to you today with our needs and concerns. Help us lay down all of our problems at your feet as we seek your peace, your patience, and your will. Steady us with the assurance of your promises; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS - Ephesians 4:1-6, Pew Bible page 951
James 1:19-21, Pew Bible page 980
James 5:7-12, Pew Bible page 982

HYMN - “WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME” - ELW 798

1 “Will you come and follow me if I but call
your name? Will you go where you don’t know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be tract or scare?

2 “Will you leave yourself behind if I but call
your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life at this unseen, Will you let me answer grown in you and you in me?”

3 “Will you let the blind see if I but call
your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as mean in you and you in me?”
HYMN OF THE DAY - “O MASTER, LET ME WALK WITH YOU” - LBW 492

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with you in low - ly paths of ser - vice true; tell me your se - cret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love; teach me the way - ward feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
3 Teach me your pa - tience; share with me a clos - er, dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong.
4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the fu - ture’s broad - 'ning way, in peace that on - ly you can give; with you, O Mas - ter, let me live. (Please be seated)

APOSTLES’ CREED (please stand)
C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

(Please be seated)

OFFERING/OFFERTORY SOLO
“On Eagle’s Wings” - Michael Joncas
Rod Capistran, trombone; Michael Olson, accompanist
PRESENTATION OF OFFERING (Please stand)

THANK YOU GOD MOMENT

PRAYERS

THE LORD’S PRAYER - (sung by the congregation)

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.

BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN
HYMN - “BE STILL MY SOUL”

1 Be still, my soul! the Lord is on thy side; Bear patiently the
2 Be still, my soul! thy God doth under-take To guide the fu-ture
3 Be still, my soul! the hour is hastening on When we shall be for-

1 cross of grief or pain; Leave to thy God to or-der and pro-vide;
2 as He has the past. Thy hope, thy con-fi-dence let noth-ing shake;
3 ev-er with the Lord, When dis-ap-point-ment, grief, and fear are gone,

1 In ev-ery change He faith-ful will re-main. Be still, my soul! thy
2 All now mys-te-rious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul! the
3 Sor-row for-got, love’s pur-est joys re-stored. Be still, my soul! when

1 best, thy heav-en-ly Friend Through thorny ways leads to a joy-ful end.
2 waves and winds still know His voice who ruled them while He dwelt be-low.
3 change and tears are past, All safe and bless-ed we shall meet at last.

POSTLUDE “Air from Water Music” - G.F. Handel; Michael Olson, organist

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NEWS & EVENTS
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REEL Faith Movie
TODAY at 12:30 p.m.
Walter Mitty works for Life and due to life’s circumstances has found himself stuck in a boring life, tied down by a job, bills, and other things. But Walter dreams of adventure. This is a movie that forces the question of how do I live my life, what are my worries, fears, etc; essentially what holds us back from being who we want to be. Once again, a sneaky Jesus movie about living the life God created us for. Rated PG.

Holy Cow Survey
You are invited to complete an online assessment that will help First Lutheran gauge the strength, vitality, and trends in our church. You do not have to be an FLC member to fill out the survey. This information will be valuable in helping us make decisions about the future of First. Pick up a paper copy at the front desk, or find the link to the assessment on our website.

All answers are strictly anonymous so please be candid. Please do not discuss the survey or your answers with others as this may influence their answers. Thank you for taking the time to invest in First’s future!

Geranium Plants
Abigail Circle is taking orders for geranium plants on April 24, May 1 and May 8. Each plant is $5. All proceeds will go the benefit the children of Nokomis. Plants will be available for pick up on Sunday, May 15 and Tuesday, May 17.

Ushers Needed
We are in need of ushers in the Sanctuary for both services. Please contact Del Herrmann at 235-9785 if you are interested.

BAPTIZED TODAY
Today we celebrate the baptism of:
Ryker Che Persons – 11 a.m., Celebration Hall

FLOWERS
The flowers on the altar are in honor of The Helping Hands for their assistance with the Lenten Lunches, from Abigail Circle.

CELEBRATE PRAYER
Our prayer partners meet every Tuesday morning at 9 a.m. and the staff gathers daily for prayer at 10 a.m. in the chapel. Everyone welcome. The following have asked to be prayed for publicly:
Glenda Sanford, Sandra Mattson, Betty Johnson, Jim Frisk, Lavonne Rustad, Delores Sandbeck, Lorraine Grefsrud, Shirley Peterson, Chris Tietz.

CELEBRATE GOD’S WORK
On behalf of the hundreds of Mexico Mission participants and the thousands of impacted Mayan villagers, the 2016 team wishes to sincerely thank Rollie for his prayerful, relational leadership to change the landscape of everyone’s spiritual, emotional and daily life journeys. Your leadership is second to none in this work of relational-drawing to God ministry. And to your second in command best buddy and leader, Dale Zimprich, faithful follower of Jesus. In the kitchen, on the job site, in small group conversations his work ethic and love for people allows everyone to feel accepted and valued. Our sincere and heartfelt thanks to these two fun-loving, hard-working, believers of the Word in action. The world in Fargo and Mexico is a bit softer and kinder because of your love for the Lord. Muchas Gracias! From the 2016 San Simon Mexico Mission Team

GOT KIDS?
Kids are an important part of First! Christian Ed classes run Sept.-May for 3-years-olds through high school.
Nursery (0-5 yrs): Open during worship
FaithTalk (age 3-4th grade): Sunday at 10:05 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
CrossTalk (5th-6th grade): Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
LifeTalk (7th-8th grade): Wednesdays at 7 p.m.
RealTalk (9th-12th grade): Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

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## THIS WEEK

### Sunday, April 17
- **9 a.m. and 11 a.m.** Sanctuary Worship
- **9 a.m. and 11 a.m.** Celebration Hall Worship
- **8:15 a.m.** Intern Meeting, Youth Lounge
- **9 a.m.** Belong!, Luther Room
- **10 a.m.** FaithTalk Sunday, classrooms
- **10:10 a.m.** FLC Brunch Bunch at Marlin’s Restaurant
- **12:30 p.m.** REEL Faith Movie, Biblemax Theatre
- **2 p.m.** High School Girls Bible Study, Youth Lounge
- **3 p.m.** Fibromyalgia Support Group, Library

### Monday, April 18
- **9 a.m.** Quilting, Fellowship Hall
- **Noon** Homeless & Hungry Steering Meeting, Luther Room
- **6:30 p.m.** Zumba, Gym

### Tuesday, April 19
- **6:45 a.m.** Men’s Breakfast Believe Bible Study, Adult Ed Room
- **9 a.m.** Prayer Partners, Heritage Room
- **9 a.m.** MomTalk Meeting, Adult Ed Room
- **Noon** Large Group Believe Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
- **1 p.m.** Staff Meeting, Adult Ed Room
- **1:30 p.m.** Learn to Knit & Crochet, The Gathering Place
- **5:30 p.m.** Council Meeting, Adult Ed Room
- **5:30 p.m.** Yoga, CrossTalk Café
- **5:30 p.m.** Legacy Special Event, Celebration Hall
- **6 p.m.** Tae Kwon Do, Gym
- **6:30 p.m.** Missing Pieces Women’s Study, Fellowship Hall
- **7 p.m.** Financial Peace, CrossTalk Café

### Wednesday, April 20
- **12:45 p.m.** Organ Recital by Michael Olson, Sanctuary
- **1:30 p.m.** Wednesday Fellowship, Chapel/Celebration Hall
- **5 p.m.** Family Meal, Gathering Place
- **5:30 p.m.** Crusader Choir Rehearsal, Celebration Station

### Thursday, April 21
- **8:30 a.m.** Helping Hands, Celebration Hall
- **10:15 a.m.** Program Staff Meeting, Luther Room
- **Noon** Missing Pieces Women’s Study, Fellowship Hall
- **Noon** Foundation Meeting, Luther Room

### Friday, April 22
- **5:30 p.m.** Ram/Aybar Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary

### Saturday, April 23
- **9 a.m.** First in Mission Cookie Baking, Celebration Kitchen
- **4 p.m.** Ram/Aybar Wedding, Sanctuary

### Sunday, April 24
- **9 a.m. and 11 a.m.** Sanctuary Worship
- **9 a.m. and 11 a.m.** Celebration Hall Worship
- **8:15 a.m.** Intern Meeting, Youth Lounge
- **10 a.m.** FaithTalk Sunday, classrooms
- **10:10 a.m.** Large Group Study, Adult Ed Room
- **11 a.m.** FLC Brunch Bunch at Marlin’s Restaurant
- **2 p.m.** High School Girls Bible Study, Youth Lounge

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### STAY CONNECTED

**I WOULD LIKE TO:**
- __ request a prayer __
- __ learn more about First Lutheran __
- __ receive a pastoral call __
- __ receive daily devotions in my email __
- __ update my information __

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