When Jesus heard this, he was amazed...

-Luke 7:9
WELCOME! If your life has been blessed or if you are looking to be blessed...we are glad you are here.

Please make yourself at home and let us know if there is anything you need. This bulletin will help you navigate worship at First Lutheran and opportunities to serve and connect with our faith community.

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.
May 29, 2016: Second Sunday after Pentecost
Order of Worship

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS
Worship Participants
Message Pastor Bill Ahlfeldt
Assisting Pastor Pastor Matt Cordes
Organist/Accompanist Michael Olson
Reader John Benson
Cantor Meggie DeJong

PRELUDE  “Adagio in D-flat Major” - Franz Liszt; Michael Olson, organist

ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRAYER

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESS AND FORGIVENESS

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

C:  Amen.

P:  Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no
    secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy
    Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name,
    through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C:  Amen.

P:  If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we
    confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us
    from all unrighteousness.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P:  Most merciful God,

C:  we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have
    sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by
    what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we
    have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus
    Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may
    delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
    Amen.

P:  In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake
    God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the
    power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C:  Amen.

(Please stand)
HYMN - “THE CHURCH’S ONE FOUNDATION” - LBW 369

1 The church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
2 Elect from every nation, yet one o’er all the earth;
3 Though with a scornful wonder this world sees her oppressed,
4 Through toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,
5 Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One,

she is his new creation by water and the word,
her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth,
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.

From heav’n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up: “How long?”
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
O blessed heav’n-ly chorus! Lord, save us by your grace,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press-es with ev’ry grace en-dued.
and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.
that we, like saints before us, may see you face to face.

(Please be seated)

GREETING

P: Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C: And also with you.
KYRIE

HYMN OF PRAISE

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

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

A 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.

A Lord, have mercy.

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

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. G Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: Lord God of all nations, you have revealed your will to your people and promised your help to us all. Help us to hear and to do what you command, that the darkness may be overcome by the power of your light; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
PSALM - 96:1-9 Melody: Gott Sei Dank 77 77

Sing to the Lord a new song.
To the Lord a new song sing; He has done a wondrous thing.
Tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory
among the nations, his marvelous works among all peoples.
All on earth, your songs employ; Praise our God with songs of joy.
For the Lord is great, and greatly to be praised; he is to be
honored more than all the gods. The gods of all other nations
are only idols, but the Lord created the heavens. Glory and
majesty surround him; power and beauty fill his sanctuary.

To the Lord a new song sing; He has done a wondrous thing.
Praise the Lord, all people on earth; praise his glory and might.
Praise the Lord’s glorious name; bring an offering and come into his courts. Bow down
before the Holy One when he appears; tremble before him, all the earth!
All on earth, your songs employ; Praise our God with songs of joy.

SECOND READING - Galatians 1:1-12, Pew Bible page 945

ALLELUIA (Please stand)

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL

Glory to you, O Lord.


Praise to you, O Christ.
SERMON - Pastor Bill Ahlfeldt

HYMN OF THE DAY - “O SAVIOR, PRECIOUS SAVIOR” - LBW 514

1 O Savi - or, pre - cious Sav - ior, whom yet un - seen we love;
2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, who won - drous - ly hast wrought,
3 In thee all full - ness dwell - eth, all grace and pow’r di - vine;
4 Oh, grant the con - sum - ma - tion of this our song a - bove,

O name of might and fa - vor, all oth - er names a - bove:
thy - self the rev - e - la - tion of love be - yond our thought:
the glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is thine.
in end - less ad - o - ra - tion and ev - er - last - ing love;

we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
We wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;
then shall we praise and bless thee where per - fect prais - es ring,

we praise thee and con - fess thee, our ho - ly Lord and King.
we praise thee and con - fess thee, our gra - cious Lord and King.
we praise thee and con - fess thee, our glo - rious Lord and King.
and ev - er - more con - fess thee, our Sav - ior and our King!

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM - 9:00
Alexander James Feldpausch, son of Benjamin & Elise Feldpausch

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 MUSIC

“This is My Song”
Meggie DeJong, vocalist; Michael Olson, accompanist

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING (Please stand)

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

(Please be seated)

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 - “I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY” - LBW 390

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love,
I love to tell the story, because I know it’s true;
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story; I’ll sing this theme in glory
and tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

POSTLUDE “I Love to Tell the Story” - Charles Ore; Michael Olson, organist

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**NEWS & EVENTS**

*Visit our website for more detailed information. Most events require online registration, www.flcfargo.org.*

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### Summer Celebration Salad Luncheon

**Thursday, June 2, 11:30 a.m.**

**Celebration Hall**

Singer/songwriter and speaker Taunya Todd will present “Learning to Follow: A Story of Faith & Friendships”. Come listen to Taunya’s journey through the ups & downs of life in marriage, motherhood & chronic disease. Women of all ages welcome!

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### Planned Giving Presentation

**Sunday, June 5 at 10:10 a.m.**

**Adult Education Room**

Craig Johnson will give a presentation on “Two Compelling Giving Methods for North Dakotans.” He will provide valuable information on methods for giving that help to provide supplementary retirement income and great tax benefits.

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### FLC Night at the RedHawks

**Tuesday, June 21, 6 p.m.**

Cost: $27/Adult, $15/Kids 12 & under

Come enjoy some baseball at Newman Outdoor Field with your FLC family again this summer! We will spend the evening on their NEW Third Base Party Deck, which includes an all-you-can-eat buffet with your ballpark favorites, soda, water and more that we can enjoy through the 5th inning! Register online.

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### FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are in honor of the baptisms of Maeve Elaine, daughter of Chad & Emma Swanson and Harper Avery, daughter of Mark & Krystal Henning.

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### BAPTIZED TODAY

Today we celebrate the baptism of:

- **Alexander James Feldpausch** – 9 a.m., Sanctuary
- **Maeve Elaine Swanson** – 10:15 a.m., Chapel
- **Harper Avery Henning** – 10:15 a.m., Chapel

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### NEWS & EVENTS

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THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 29
9 a.m. Sanctuary Worship
11 a.m. Celebration Hall Worship
11 a.m. FLC Brunch Bunch, Marlin’s Restaurant
1:30 p.m. Open Door For All Nations Church, Chapel

Monday, May 30
OFFICE CLOSED - MEMORIAL DAY

*Beginning Tuesday, May 31, Summer Office Hours Begin:
Monday—Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
and Sunday 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. *

Tuesday, May 31
6:45 a.m. Men’s Breakfast Believe Bible Study, Adult Ed Room
9 a.m. Prayer Partners, Heritage Room
Noon Homeless & Hungry Steering Meeting, Lutheran Room
1 p.m. Staff Meeting, Adult Ed Room
1 p.m. Learn to Knit & Crochet, The Gathering Place

Wednesday, June 1
12:45 p.m. Flute & Piano Recital, Sanctuary
1:30 p.m. Wednesday Fellowship, Chapel/Celebration Hall
5 p.m. Family Meal, Gathering Place
6 p.m. Wednesday Worship, Celebration Hall
7 p.m. Wacky Wednesday - Bowling at Sunset Lanes

Thursday, June 2
8:30 a.m. Helping Hands, Celebration Hall
10:15 a.m. Program Staff Meeting, Luther Room
11:30 a.m. FLCW Summer Celebration Salad Luncheon, Celebration Hall

Friday, June 3
6 p.m. Olson/Nelson Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Pocket Prayer Cloths
As a partner to prayer shawl ministry, we are offering pocket prayer cloths. They are available to anyone in need of comfort and prayer. They are in a basket at the front desk.

Saturday, June 4
8 a.m. EaND Synod Assembly, Fargo Holiday Inn
9 a.m. Open Door For All Nations Church Choir Practice, Classrooms
10 a.m. Homeless & Hungry Participant Registration, Fargo Holiday Inn
4:30 p.m. Olson/Nelson Wedding, Sanctuary
6 p.m. EaND Synod Global Missions Dinner, Celebration Hall

Sunday, June 5 - Communion Sunday
9 a.m. Sanctuary Worship
9 and 11 a.m. Celebration Hall Worship
8 a.m. EaND Synod Assembly, Fargo Holiday Inn
10:10 a.m. Planned Giving Presentation, Adult Ed Room
10:15 a.m. Baptism Training Session, Chapel
11 a.m. FLC Brunch Bunch, Marlin’s Restaurant
1:30 p.m. Open Door For All Nations Church, Chapel

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__ learn more about First Lutheran
__ receive a pastoral call
__ receive daily devotions in my email
__ update my information

Name ________________________________
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