

APRIL 11

SUNDAY • CELEBRATION CENTER



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WELCOME! If you believe Jesus is the risen Son of God, or if you are here to explore the mysteries of faith... **WELCOME.** We are just 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 to make Jesus known and to know him better. Because if this isn't about Jesus, it isn't worth doing.



COMMUNION The sacrament of Communion is celebrated at all services the first and third Sundays and Wednesdays of each month. All are welcome to participate in this act of worship and remembrance. Children

who do not receive communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

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 a.m. Sundays; 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Sanctuary on the north end of the church



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 blue post-it so we can keep in touch.



Celebration Worship uses a praise band and the order of worship and song lyrics are projected on the wall.

9 & 10:30 a.m. Sundays in the Celebration Center on the west end of the church



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 Each quarter, we host a new member BELONG class to introduce and welcome new members to First Lutheran. The next class will be held Sunday, May 23. Contact the church office for details.

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 11, 2021: Celebration Worship
Second Sunday of Easter

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

SONG: *Your Grace Finds Me*

SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 2:6-10

VIDEO: *Grace*

CONFESSION / QUIET TIME

SONG: *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

GOSPEL SCRIPTURE

MESSAGE: Pastor Stephanie Tollefson

CELEBRATION OF HOLY BAPTISM: (10:30 a.m.)
Aubrey Ann Remer,
daughter of Morgan and Joshua Remer

OFFERING:

Thank you for your new or continued generosity towards God's mission at First Lutheran Church. In-person offerings may be dropped in the offering baskets at the entry/exit. Offerings can also be mailed to the church office and we encourage you to use our online giving and texting options. Please reference the back page of the worship bulletin for more information or visit our website.

SONG: *Who You Say I Am*

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING/BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG: *Your Grace Is Enough*

L: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Worship has ended. Now service begins.



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Calling All Closet Cleaners and Miracle Makers...

This spring,

First Lutheran is partnering with Lutheran World Relief to make baby care kits to provide the basics to families in need. We invite you to participate!

Visit lwr.org/babycarekits for more information on kit items and instructions for making cloth diapers from flannel or cotton t-shirts.

Donations can be dropped off at the church Welcome Desk now through Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9.

Kit items include

- » Lightweight cotton t-shirts (no onesies)
- » Long or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- » Receiving blankets; cloth diapers (flat fold preferred)
- » Jackets, sweaters, or sweatshirts with a hood
- » Socks
- » Hand towels (dark color recommended)
- » Bath-size bars of gentle soap
- » Diaper pins
- » Gently-used cloth diapers

Questions? Contact Pr. Stephanie Tollefson,
stollefson@flcfargo.org, or 701.235.7389.

NEWS & EVENTS

Visit our website for more detailed information and to register, flcfargo.org.

GRIEF SUPPORT AND SMALL GROUP RESOURCES

Two of our community ministry partners, Hospice of the Red River Valley and Living Free/Jail Chaplains, are offering online small groups to help deal with many types of personal loss. Several groups are beginning in the following weeks. We invite you to visit their websites to learn more and to register.

- Hospice of the Red River Valley, hrrv.org, various community grief support classes and programs.
- Living Free/Jail Chaplains, jailchaplains.com, small groups on facing fear, anxiety, worry; and anger management.

Contact Polly Kloster, pkloster@flcfargo.org, or 701.235.7389 with any questions.

FAMILY LIFE FAITH MILESTONE

Confirmation (make-up from October 2020 postponement)

- Today, Sunday, April 11, 1 p.m., Celebration Center

Please pray for and celebrate our confirmands!

The service begins at 1 p.m. Confirmands and immediate family should arrive at 12:30 p.m. An individual confirmation photo will be taken. Recommended attire is business casual (robes will not be worn). Live-streaming will be offered on flcfargo.org for extended family, friends and everyone to watch the confirmation service.

CHURCH OFFICE: 701.235.7389, info@flcfargo.org

OFFICE HOURS / WELCOME DESK:

MON, TUES, WEDS, THURS 8 a.m.—5 p.m.

FRI: 8 a.m.—12 p.m.

SUN 8:30 a.m.—12 p.m.

Wi-Fi: FLCGuest, password: FirstLutheran619

CELEBRATE PRAYER

We as God's people believe in the power of prayer. Please pray for the following who have asked to be prayed for publicly: *Brenda Cummins, Gail Zimprich, Janice Ames, Pam Burley, Dan and Janna Westerholm, Marilyn Parker, Betty Wilson, Liz Gibb, Roger Hansen, Marlene Young, Wes Briggs, Shawn Orvedal, Doug Aseby, Wayne Lebeda, Barb Orvedal, Charlotte Nielson, and Linda Merkens.*

The sympathy and prayers of First Lutheran are offered to the family and friends of **Amy Carey**, wife of Don Carey; mother of Becky LaMont and Kathleen Schell.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Kids are an important part of FLC! In-person classes will resume in Fall 2021. Online classes and at-home resources will continue through the school year.

Nursery (0-5 yrs): Closed until further notice (COVID precaution)

Kids at First (age 3-4th grade): at-home FLOCK Magazine and FLOCK online resources

56ers (5-6th grade): Wednesdays, 6 p.m., online Zoom

Servant Leadership Academy/Confirmation

(7-8th grade): Wednesdays, 7 p.m., online Zoom

Youth Group (9-12th grade): Wednesdays, 8 p.m., Great Hall

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THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 11

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Celebration Center
- 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Great Hall
- 10:15 a.m. Nominating Committee Meeting, Luther Room
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Celebration Center
- 12:30 p.m. Open Doors For All Nations Worship, CrossTalk Café
- 1 p.m. Confirmation Service, Celebration Center

Monday, April 12

- 9 a.m. Quilters Ministry Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- 1 p.m. Staff Meeting, Adult Ed Room
- 3 p.m. Dakota Brass Rehearsal, Great Hall

Tuesday, April 13

- 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
- 8 a.m. Helping Hands, Great Hall
- 9 a.m. MomTalk Steering Meeting, Great Hall
- 1 p.m. Knit and Crochet Group, Bethany on 42nd
- 6 p.m. Tae Kwon Do, Gym

Wednesday, April 14

- 12:45 p.m. Organ Recital by Michael Olson, Sanctuary
- 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Fellowship, Sanctuary/Great Hall
- 6 p.m. 56ers, online Zoom
- 7 p.m. SLA/Confirmation, online Zoom
- 8 p.m. Youth Group, Great Hall

Thursday, April 15

- 12 p.m. Foundation Board Meeting, Adult Ed Room

Friday, April 16

- 12 p.m. Church/Church Office Closed

Saturday, April 17

- 11 a.m. Memorial Service for Rod Capistran, Sanctuary/Great Hall

Sunday, April 18 - Communion Sunday

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Celebration Center
- 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Great Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Celebration Center
- 12:30 p.m. Open Doors For All Nations Worship, CrossTalk Café

BAPTISM

Today we celebrate the baptism of **Aubrey Remer**, daughter of Morgan and Joshua Remer.

FLOWERS

The altar flowers today are given in honor of **Joyce Johnson's** 90th birthday (April 7), from her family. The flowers on the organ are given in memory of **Alex Stoffel**, from his daughter Kathy Ferreira .

BUS SERVICE TO FLC

This past year, our contracted bus service providing transportation to worship on Sunday morning and Wednesday afternoon was discontinued for COVID safety precautions. We are happy to be able to provide bus service again to those needing transportation to attend worship.

- Contact Becki Tollefson, btollefson@flcfargo.org or 701.235.7389 to be added to the bus pick-up schedule.
- Our contracted carrier is not able to cover the entire Fargo-Moorhead area. The covered address zone is primarily focused in north Fargo. Contact Becki to discuss availability/options.
- The bus does not have a wheelchair lift. Riders must be able to navigate a few stairs to board/exit the bus.

SUPPORT FLC MINISTRIES

- **Online Giving:** flcfargo.org (from the Quick Links banner, select "Donate Now")
- **Text to Give:** Text 701.354.1495 with the dollar amount you would like to give
- **Mail a Check:** 619 Broadway N, Fargo, ND 58102

BROADCAST SCHEDULE

- **Online:** Sundays 9 & 10:30 a.m., flcfargo.org and Facebook.
- **Radio:** Sundays 9 a.m., 970AM and 93.1FM.
- **TV:** Fargo: Sundays 1:30 p.m., Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. (channels Midco 68, Sparklight 1068); Moorhead: Sundays 5 p.m., Tuesdays 7 p.m. (channels Midco 99, Sparklight 69).