



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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# SIGNS *of* CHRISTMAS

*signs of*

PEACE

*in our struggles*

**SUNDAY • DECEMBER 6 • ISAIAH 2:1-5**

**December 6, 2020: Celebration Worship**  
**Second Sunday of Advent: Signs of Christmas - PEACE**

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**SONG:** Noel

**SONG:** Away in a Manger

**QUIET TIME**

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS:**

*Prayer of St. Francis*

*Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;  
Where there is hatred, let me sow charity; Where  
there is injury, pardon; Where there is error, truth;  
Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair,  
hope; Where there is darkness, light; and Where  
there is sadness, joy.*

*O, Divine Master, Grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled, as to console; To be understood  
as to understand; To be loved as to love; For it is in  
giving that we receive; It is in pardoning that we are  
pardoned; And it is in dying to ourselves that we are  
born to eternal life. Amen.*

**SPECIAL MUSIC:**

*Let There Be Peace On Earth*  
-- arr. Keith Christopher  
Marla Fogderud, Naomi Wawers,  
Andrea Fogderud, vocalists;  
Michael Olson, accompanist

**MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT:**

*Stewardship Giving, Matthew Frisk*

**OFFERING:**

*Thank you for your new or continued generosity  
towards God's mission at First Lutheran Church.  
While we worship online, our stewardship continues.  
Offerings can be mailed to the church office and we  
also 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.*

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 9:2a, 6; 11:6b

**SECOND READING:** Isaiah 2:1-5

**MESSAGE:** Pastor Stephanie Tollefson

**SONG:** Silent Night

**PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**BLESSING/BENEDICTION**

**SENDING SONG:** The Blessing

***Worship has ended. Now service begins.***



# ORDER.

**order** some take & bake  
Rhombus Guys through FLC

pizzas: t-rex, rockefeller, deluxe, margherita

# THANK.

**thank** your friendly FLC  
high schooler for the delivery

# SUPPORT.

and **support** our neighbor  
The Salvation Army this year!  
all proceeds support The Salvation Army

The past 13 weeks, our high schoolers followed the *Live, Love, and Lead like Jesus* sermon series, and decided to create a downtown ministry partnership to benefit a downtown neighbor. Their idea? Sell and deliver Rhombus Guys pizzas for a service project and donate the proceeds to The Salvation Army, to support their community work.

Visit [flcfargo.org](http://flcfargo.org) for details.

Order by December 10 to have your pizza(s)  
delivered on Sunday, December 13!



**RHOMBUS GUYS**



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# Winter Coat Ministry

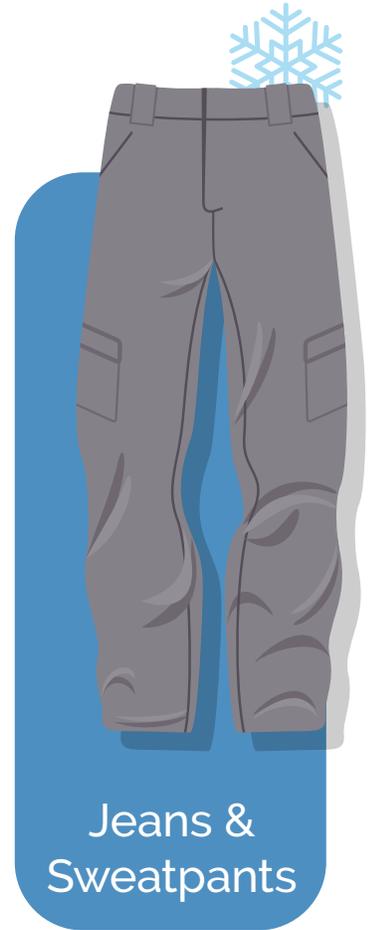
For many years, First Lutheran has partnered with local agencies supporting those in need in our community by supplying winter coats and apparel.



Men & Women's  
Winter Coats

Greatest need: L, XL, XXL

## KEY PARTNERS



Jeans &  
Sweatpants

Donations can be  
dropped off at  
the church.

Please call the church  
701.235.7389 or email  
info@flcfargo.org to  
arrange a convenient  
drop off time.



Men's & Women's  
Shoes &  
Boots



ski type  
Gloves



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### **Zoom Online Book Study: *Hidden Christmas***

Tuesdays, December 8 and 15, 1:30 p.m., or Thursdays, December 10 and 17, 7 p.m.

During this season of Advent, would you like to dig deeper to learn more about the nativity story? Polly Kloster is facilitating group discussion on Timothy Keller's book, *Hidden Christmas: The Surprising Truth Behind the Birth of Christ*.

Every Christmas displays of Baby Jesus resting in a manger decorate lawns and churchyards, and songs about shepherds and angels fill the air. Yet how many of us have examined the hard edges of this biblical story? In *Hidden Christmas*, Timothy Keller takes readers on an illuminating journey into the surprising background of the nativity. By understanding the message of hope and salvation within the Bible's account of Jesus's birth, readers will experience the redeeming power of God's grace in a deeper and more meaningful way.

To participate in this Zoom book discussion, please register at [flcfargo.org](http://flcfargo.org) and select "Registration" from the QUICK LINKS bar. Space is limited to 8 people in each group to allow for active engagement by all group members. Participants are responsible for obtaining the book in preparation for the sessions.

### **Community Outreach Volunteers Needed**

The homeless shelter community is seeking individuals who would be willing to connect with COVID-19 positive homeless residents *via telephone* on a daily basis through their quarantine period. These residents have been housed in isolation and have minimal if any contact with others.

Please contact Polly Kloster, RN, Faith Community Nurse at FLC, [pkloster@flcfargo.org](mailto:pkloster@flcfargo.org), or 701.235.7389, if you are interested in reaching out through this ministry.

### **Care Bag Outreach Ministry Opportunity**

The FLC Health Ministry Committee has assembled Care Bags to be distributed to parishioners in need. Each bag is filled with a variety of items to provide spiritual support and encouragement. This is especially important during our pandemic break from in-person worship and ministry.

If you know someone who could use extra encouragement and support at this time, contact Polly Kloster, RN, Faith Community Nurse at FLC, [pkloster@flcfargo.org](mailto:pkloster@flcfargo.org), or 701.235.7389, to pick up a bag for delivery or to request a delivery. We would love to extend this support to as many people as possible through this outreach ministry!



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During the COVID-19/Coronavirus response, in-person worship at First Lutheran Church is suspended. However, we will broadcast worship on radio, television and online as noted below. Please join us for worship to praise Jesus and to stay connected as a faith community.



## ONLINE STREAMING

### ([flcfargo.org](http://flcfargo.org) & Facebook):

- Traditional Worship, Sundays, 9 a.m.
- Contemporary Worship, Sundays, 10:30 a.m.
- Face-to-Face Worship, Wednesdays, 6 p.m.



## TELEVISION:

- Fargo channels, Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.; and Sundays 1:30 p.m. (Midco 68, Sparklight 1068)
- Moorhead channels, Tuesdays, 7 p.m.; and Sundays 5 p.m. (Midco 99, Sparklight 69)



## RADIO:

- Sundays, 9 a.m., WDAY 970 AM and 93.1 FM

## SUPPORT FIRST LUTHERAN MINISTRIES:



**ONLINE GIVING:** [www.flcfargo.org](http://www.flcfargo.org) (click "Donate Now" in the quick links)



**TEXT TO GIVE:** Text 701.354.1495 with the dollar amount you would like to give



**MAIL A CHECK:** 619 Broadway, Fargo, ND 58102

## FLOWERS & RADIO BROADCAST:

The altar flowers and radio broadcast today are given in loving memory of **Fred Drenkow**, from Joanne and family. The organ flowers are given in honor of **Bonnie Olson**, from her grandchildren.

## PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE:

We as God's people believe in the power of prayer. Please pray for the following who have asked to be prayed for publicly: *Fran Nelson, Jordan Nettum, Mark Nettum, Michelle Reitan, Brenda Cummins, Amy Carey, Kathy Otheim, Jim Frisk, Gail Zimprich, Steve Brown, George and Kaity.*

The sympathy and prayers of First Lutheran are offered to the family and friends of **Lois Rieniets**, mother of Sharon Hegle and John Rieniets.

## CONTACT US:

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