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JULY 19

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LUKE 10:25-35

FACE to FACE



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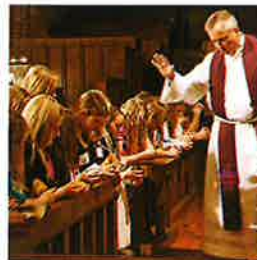
WELCOME! If you are here today seeking God or here to praise the God that has already found you... **WELCOME.** We are just glad you are here.

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 Watch for details in the upcoming weeks about resuming serving Holy Communion. Serving practices are being studied to provide a safe, no-contact process as we work our way through the

COVID-19 environment.

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



CONNECTING We would love to get to know you better. Peruse our website for ways to connect through service, study, or community-building events.



Celebration Worship uses a praise band and the order of worship and song lyrics are projected on the wall. [9 & 11 a.m. Sundays in the New 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.*

Please join us in The Great Hall 10-11 a.m. on Sundays for coffee, cookies, and conversation.



BELONGING If you would like to call FLC your church home, come to our "Belong" class. Contact Marty Tollefson at mtollefson@flcfargo.org or 701.235.7389 for more information. Our next Belong! class will be held in September.

July 19, 2020: Face to Face

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Message	Pr. Laurie Neill
Assisting Pastor	Pr. Stephanie Tollefson
Music Minister	Michael Olson
Cantor	Beverly Bjertness

PRELUDE

“Adagio” — Roger Nyquist
Michael Olson, organist

WELCOME & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS *(please stand as you are able)*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive 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 us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
 2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
 bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
 joy like seed and, all our days, to
 to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
 share a dream and help the blind to see.
 cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
 pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

(please be seated)

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 10:25-35

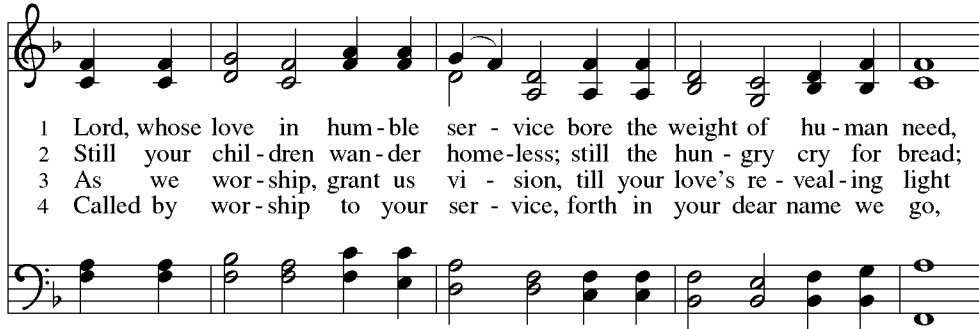
Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

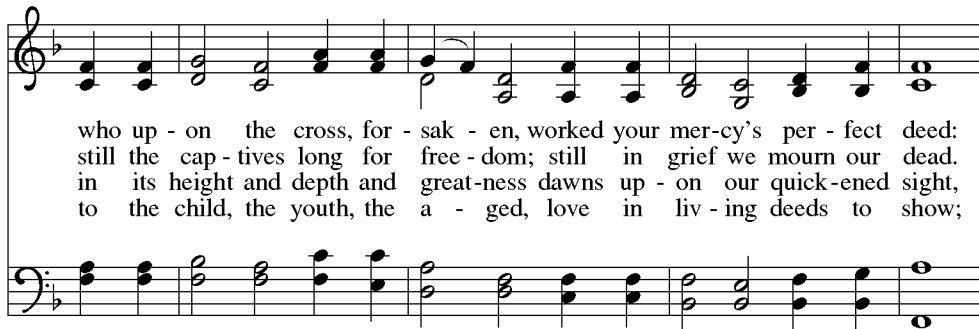
MESSAGE: Pr. Laurie Neill

HYMN OF THE DAY

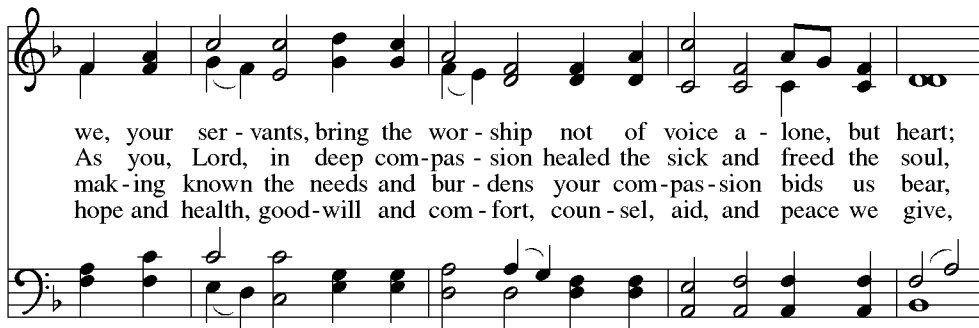
Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man need,
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for bread;
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing light
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer - cy's per - fect deed:
 still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
 in its height and depth and great - ness dawns up - on our quick - ened sight,
 to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;
 As you, Lord, in deep com - pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
 mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us bear,
 hope and health, good - will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,

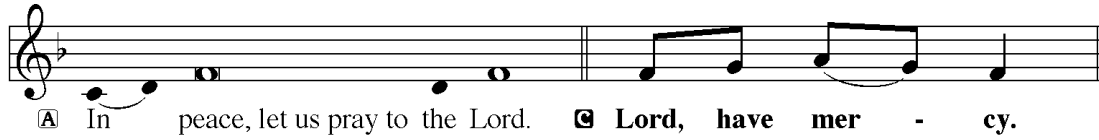


con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.
 by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole.
 stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.
 that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

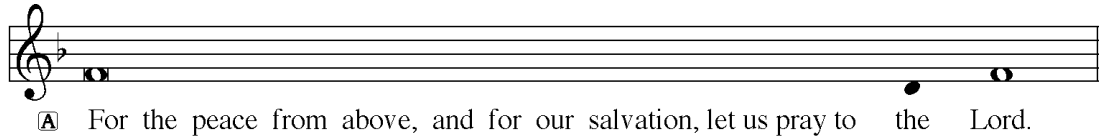
PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. God of justice,
C: Your word is light and truth.
Let your face shine on us to restore us,
that we may walk in your way,
seeking justice and doing good. Amen.

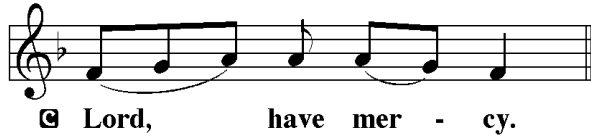
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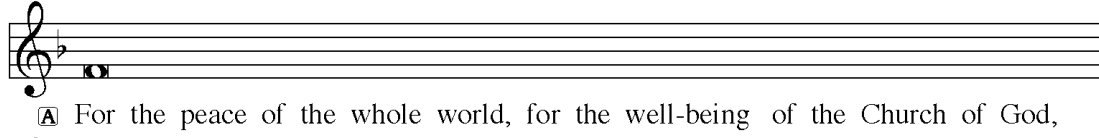
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



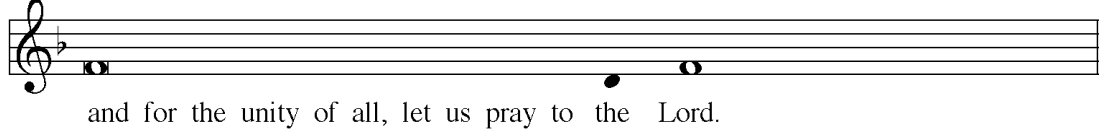
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



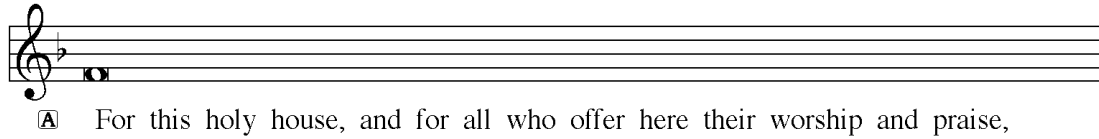
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



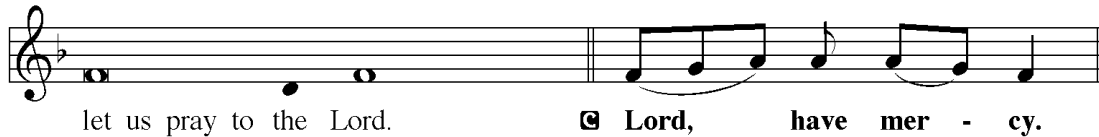
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



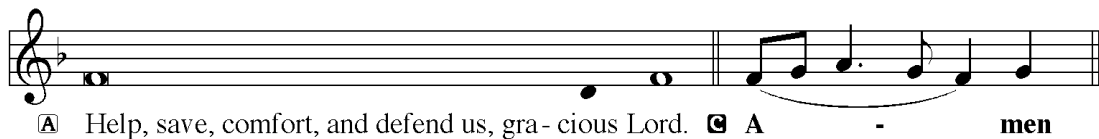
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

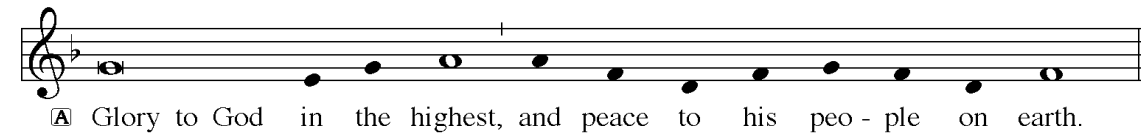


let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

CELEBRATION OF HOLY BAPTISM

Baptism of Grace Elizabeth Gwen Strand, daughter of Laura and Scott Strand

APOSTLES' CREED *(please stand as you are able)*

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)

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE




MUSICAL MEDITATION/OFFERING

**"His Eye is On the Sparrow" — Charles H. Gabriel
Beverly Bjertness, vocalist; Michael Olson, accompanist**

OFFERING OPTIONS

Thank you for your new or continued generosity towards God's mission at First Lutheran Church. Out of concern for safety, we will not pass the offering plate during worship but will have baskets available at each exit where you can leave your offering.

We also have a number of digital, no contact ways to give.
Online Giving is an easy and convenient way to "set it and forget it."

-  **ONLINE GIVING:** www.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, Fargo, ND 58102

LORD'S PRAYER *(sung by the congregation)*

**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 & THREEFOLD AMEN *(please stand as you are able)*

CLOSING HYMN Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as
2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers
3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time
4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll
5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as

Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to
on the road; we are here to help each oth - er
of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to

let you be my ser - vant, too.
walk the mile and bear the load.
speak the peace you long to hear.
till we've seen this jour - ney through.
let you be my ser - vant, too.

DISMISSAL *(please exit row by row to avoid close contact)*

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” — Michael Burkhardt

Michael Olson, organist

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WORLD RELIEF

Help Us Fill 100+ — KITS —

This fall, First Lutheran will support Lutheran World Relief's School Kit ministry by providing school supply kits to children and adults in need.

We invite you to

shop now

for the best back-to-school deals **in July** to help fill as many kits as FLC can! Please drop off the supplies after Labor Day to help us prepare for the packing!

Items to buy for kits:

- 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper
- 30-centimeter rulers, or with centimeters & inches
- pencil sharpeners
- scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades)
- #2 pencils with erasers
- black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- crayons (16 or 24 count)
- 2 ½" erasers

Visit lwr.org/schoolkits for details.

Questions? Contact **Pastor Stephanie**:
701.235.7389 or stollefson@flcfargo.org



NEWS&EVENTS

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

Welcome Back!

These last few months have been anything but normal, and we have missed seeing you face-to-face! However, we are grateful that worship and ministry have continued virtually and for the reminder the church is not limited to the walls of a building.

Motivated by our concern for all people, we will be diligent regarding safety precautions. Four key guidelines to follow:

- Respect social distancing. Maintain 6-feet of personal space wherever possible. *Share hands-free hellos!*
- Frequent hand-washing/sanitizing is recommended. *Scrub for 20 seconds!*
- Wearing masks is encouraged. If you did not bring your own mask, masks are available upon entering the church and at the Welcome Desk. *Spread the Gospel, not germs.*
- If you are feeling sick or taking care of someone who is ill, stay home. *Worship online at home!*

We will get through this together! Worship practices and church operations will be adjusted as we test and learn.

Face to Face: Summer Sermon Series

Physical distance. Isolation. Uncertainty. Loneliness. Virtual reality. Church scattered.

Our desire, as Christians, is to continually seek the face of God. This summer, follow our worship series as we look at biblical and everyday encounters with the living God, no matter the circumstances.

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SUMMER OFFICE HOURS / WELCOME DESK:
MON-THURS 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
FRI 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.
SUN 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Wi-Fi: FLCGuest, password: FirstLutheran619

CELEBRATEPRAYER

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. The following have asked to be prayed for publicly:

Wes Briggs, Lisa Kunkel, Lona Binder-Hermanson, Bonnie Lyczewski, Gail Zimprich, Kathy Otheim, Char Maas, Delores Brynjulson, Jim Frisk, and Ann and Steve Brown

CHRISTIANEDUCATION

Kids are an important part of FLC! Christian Ed classes run September-May for 3-year olds through high school.

Due to the COVID-19 environment, summer programming has been cancelled (i.e., camps, VBS). Enjoy the summer break! Watch for upcoming communications about plans for fall classes.

The Little Gifts Nursery will remain closed for the summer.

YOURMINISTRYTEAM

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Kathy Helming, Secretary	701.306.1462

THISWEEK

Sunday, Jul 19

- 9 a.m. **Traditional Worship**, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. **Traditional Worship Online**
- 9 a.m. **Contemporary Worship**, New Celebration Center
- 10 a.m. **Coffee Fellowship**, The Great Hall
- 11 a.m. **Contemporary Worship**, New Celebration Center
- 11 a.m. **Contemporary Worship Online**

Monday, Jul 20

No Scheduled Activities

Tuesday, Jul 21

- 7 a.m. **Men's Bible Study**, Adult Ed Room
- 9 a.m. **Prayer Partners Meeting**, Heritage Room
- 5:30 p.m. **Church Council Meeting**, Adult Ed Room

Wednesday, Jul 22

- 8 a.m. **Meal Prep for Churches United**, Celebration Kitchen
- 12:45 p.m. **Organ Recital by Michael Olson**, Sanctuary
- 1:30 p.m. **Wednesday Fellowship**, Sanctuary/The Great Hall
- 6 p.m. **Wednesday Worship Online**

Thursday, Jul 23

No Scheduled Activities

Friday, Jul 24

- 12 p.m. **Church/Church Office Closes**

Saturday, Jul 25

No Scheduled Activities

Sunday, Jul 26

- 9 a.m. **Traditional Worship**, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. **Traditional Worship Online**
- 9 a.m. **Contemporary Worship**, New Celebration Center
- 10 a.m. **Coffee Fellowship**, The Great Hall
- 11 a.m. **Contemporary Worship**, New Celebration Center
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CELEBRATEBAPTISM

Today we celebrate the baptisms of **Grace Strand**, daughter of Laura and Scott Strand; and **Lily Scheidecker**, daughter of Beth and Joe Scheidecker.

ANNUALMEETING


The Annual Meeting will be held Sunday, August 2, at 12 p.m. Watch your email this coming week for a video message and presentation on the proposed fiscal year 2021 budget. Please plan to attend the Annual Meeting—your participation is important.


WORSHIPNOTES


BROADCASTMINISTRY

- **Online:** Sundays 9 & 11 a.m., Wednesdays 6 p.m.; flcfargo.org and Facebook.
- **Radio:** Sundays 9 a.m., 970 AM and 93.1 FM.
- **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).

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