



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
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JULY 26

SIX FEET AWAY



LEV. 13:1-6 , MATT. 8:1-4

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 or 701.235.7389 for more information. Our next Belong! class will be held in September.

July 26, 2020: Face to Face

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Message	Pr. Marty Tollefson
Assisting Pastor	Pr. Laurie Neill
Music Minister	Michael Olson
Cantor	Marla Fogderud

PRELUDE “Prelude and Fugue in D minor” — Johann Sebastian Bach
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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
 sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!

Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
 Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.

join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 if with his love he be - friend you.
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

(please be seated)

SCRIPTURE READING: Leviticus 13:1-6, Matthew 8:1-4

MESSAGE: Pr. Marty Tollefson

HYMN OF THE DAY Just a Closer Walk with Thee



Refrain Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it, Je - sus, is my plea;
1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;



dai - ly walk - ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.
I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. *Ref.*
Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Ref.*
guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore. *Ref.*



PRAYER OF THE DAY

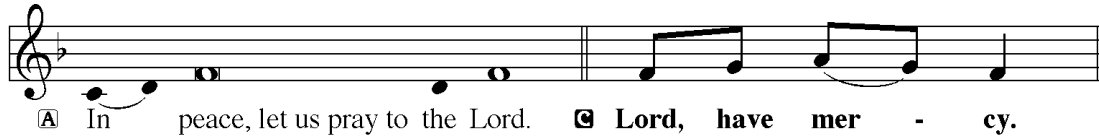
P: Let us pray. Beloved and sovereign God,

C: **Through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom and draw us near, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

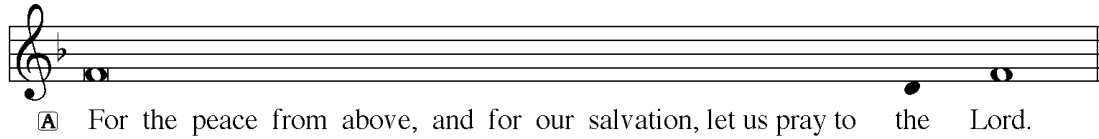
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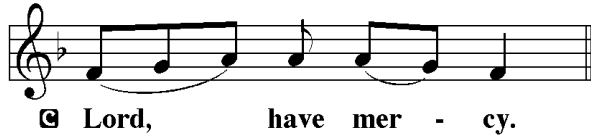
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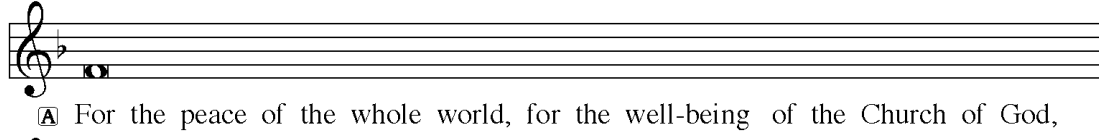
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



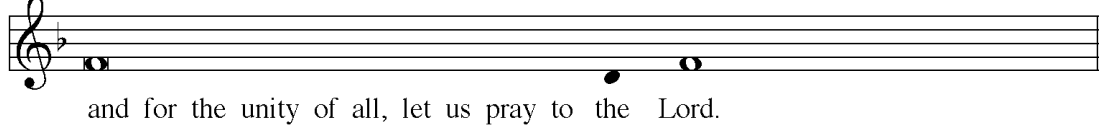
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



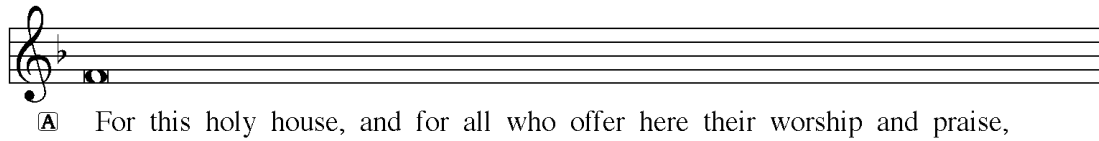
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



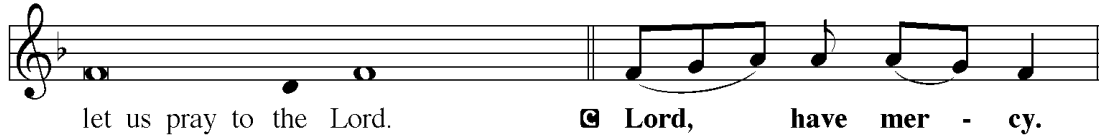
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



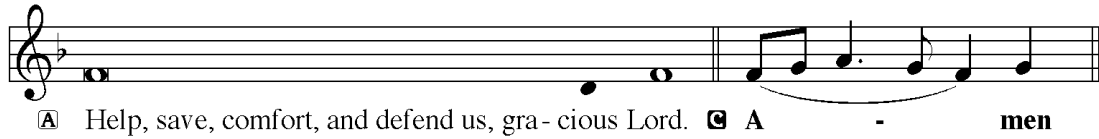
C Lord, have mer - cy.



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

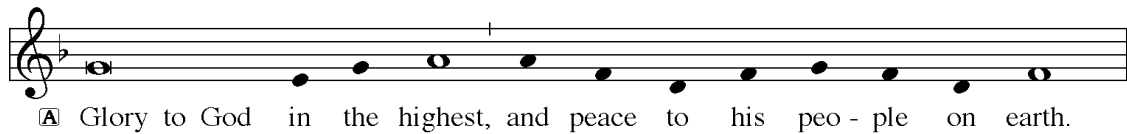


let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



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

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

**"Ride On, King Jesus" — Hall Johnson
Marla Fogderud, 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 I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

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

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” — Paul Manz
Michael Olson, organist



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LUTHERAN
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:

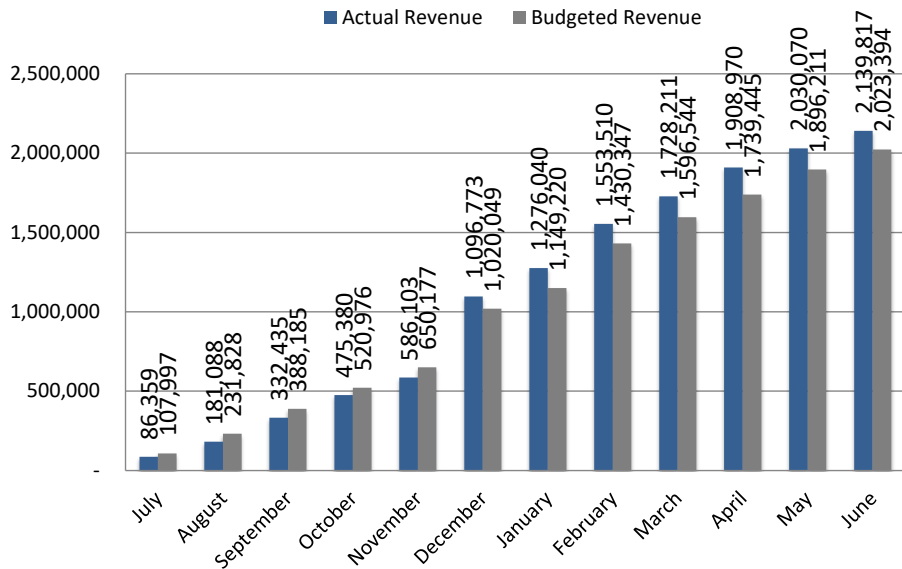
- 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper
- 30-centimeter rulers, or with centimeters & inches
- pencil sharpeners
- scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades)
- #2 pencils with erasers
- black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- crayons (16 or 24 count)
- 2 ½" erasers

Visit lwr.org/schoolkits for details.

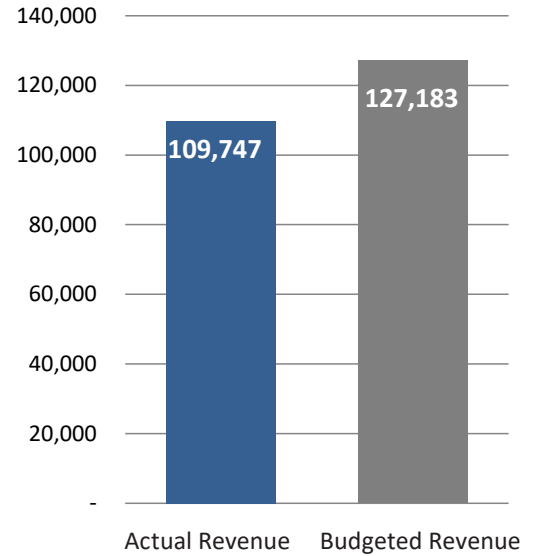
Questions? Contact **Pastor Stephanie**:
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STEWARDSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS FY 2019-20 GENERAL FUND



FLC JUNE STEWARDSHIP



JUNE MEMORIALS

In Memory of Don Nettum

for Sunday School from Harriett Light

In Memory of Evelyn Finsness

for Music from Gordon & Judith Knudsvig
for Music from Jim & Dana Arnold
for Cathedral Choir from Lillian Cole
for General from Pamela Lawler

In Memory of Helen Shirley

for General from her Family

In Memory of Jane E Erickson

for Cathedral Choir from Lillian Cole
for Befrienders from Reed & Marianna Malm

In Honor of Kati & Madee Shea

for Missions Soup from Larry & Faye Rolfson

In Memory of Lorraine Roppe

for Emergency Food Pantry from Audrey Hahn
for Quilters from Joanne Drenkow

In Memory of Louis Larson

for General from Ed & Patricia Morrow
for Prayer Shawls from Gary & Ruth Hanson
for General from Orlan & Evelyn Loraas
for General from Pamela Lawler
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for Foundation from Ruth Dunicliff

In Memory of Lyle G Johnson

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for Cathedral Choir from Darrell & Karla Kempfert
for General from Don & Dorothy Johnson
for Cathedral Choir from Erwin & Arlene Johnson
for Cathedral Choir from Jay Johnson
for Cathedral Choir from Lillian Cole
for Cathedral Choir from Mike & Jodi Milbradt

for Foundation from Nancy Erickson

for Foundation from Reed & Marianna Malm

In Memory of Marty Gramm

for Radio from David & Sonja Teigen

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for Radio from Lorraine Grefsrud

In Memory of Rod Capistran

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for Music from Gary & Ruth Hanson
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for Cathedral Choir from Jeanne Kauffmann
for Cathedral Choir from Karl & Sarah Altenburg
for Cathedral Choir from Kevin & Christy Curry Hoyland
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for Cathedral Choir from Lu Vitalis
for Cathedral Choir from Paul & Patricia Korsmo
for Cathedral Choir from Richard & Beverly Leverson
for Cathedral Choir from Robert & Rosalie Moninger
for Cathedral Choir from Thomas & Bonnie Swanson
for Cathedral Choir from Thomas & Lorie Schulstad
Werk

for Cathedral Choir from Timothy & Sarah Krumm

In Memory of Shirley Meyer

for Cathedral Choir from Lillian Cole
for General from Pamela Lawler

In Memory of Shirley Tietz

for Sunday School from Harriett Light
for General from Romney & Julie Anderson

In Memory of Wanda Nielsen

for Foundation from Dick & Susan Brudvik

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

The sympathy and prayers of First Lutheran are offered to the family and friends of **Reed Filler**, brother of Candy Tessmann.

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 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
- 11 a.m. **Contemporary Worship Online**

Monday, Jul 27

No Scheduled Activities

Tuesday, Jul 28

- 7 a.m. **Men's Bible Study**, Adult Ed Room
- 9 a.m. **Prayer Partners Meeting**, Heritage Room

Wednesday, Jul 29

- 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 30

- 6 p.m. **Wedding Rehearsal for Schumm/Mark**, Sanctuary

Friday, Jul 31

- 12 p.m. **Church/Church Office Closes**
- 4 p.m. **Wedding of Brittany Schumm and Jonathan Mark**, Sanctuary

Saturday, Aug 1

No Scheduled Activities

Sunday, Aug 2

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

ANNUALMEETING


The Annual Meeting will be held Sunday, August 2, at 10 a.m. 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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