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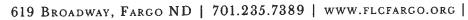








EX. 40:30-31, MARK 7: 1-16





FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

INSPIRE. EQUIP. REACH.

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.

WORSHIP We believe that all instruments, all voices and all people should praise the Lord. We do not worship a "style," we worship Jesus.

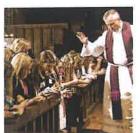


Traditional Worship follows a liturgy and the music centers around the organ and piano. The order of worship is inserted into the bulletin. [9 a.m. Sundays in the Sanctuary on the north end of the church; 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Sanctuary]



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]

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



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.



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



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" class. Contact Marty Tollefson at mtollefson@flcfargo or 701.235.7389 for more information. Our next Belong! class will be held in September.

August 2, 2020: Face to Face

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Message Pr. Corey Bjertness

Assisting Pastor Pr. Laurie Neill
Music Minister Michael Olson

Cantor Katherine Keefe Noone

PRELUDE

"Canon in D Major" — Johann Pachelbel Michael Olson, organist

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS (please stand as you are able)

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- 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: Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin. Silence for reflection
- P: God of mercy,
- C: we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- P: When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us + all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross.

 For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news!
- C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty



(please be seated)

SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 40:30-31, Mark 7:1-16

MESSAGE: Pr. Corey Bjertness



PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Let us pray. Benevolent God,
- C: you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

KYRIE



HYMN OF PRAISE





SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Ian Michael Stensgard, son of Karen and Michael Stensgard

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 Marv.

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

"Give Us Clean Hands" — Charlie Hall Katherine Keefe Noone, 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 Rise Up, O Saints of God!



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

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Rigaudon" — Andre Campra Michael Olson, organist

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Help US SCHOOL 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- orcollege-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)
- -2½" 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.

CHURCH OFFICE: 701.235.7389

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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

CELEBRATE**PRAYER**

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, Ann Brown, Steve Brown, and Archie.

The sympathy and prayers of First Lutheran are offered to the family and friends of Nancy Berge, wife of John; Bob Winberg, brother of Kim Trochman; Arline Hudson, mother of Jennifer Ivers; and John Mehl.

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.

YOUR**ministry**team

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THISWEEK

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

Monday, Aug 3

No Scheduled Activities

Tuesday, Aug 4

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

1 p.m. Memory Café, Fellowship Hall

5 p.m. Memorial Service for John Mehl, Sanctuary

5:30 p.m. Health Ministry Committee Meeting,

Heritage Room

Wednesday, Aug 5

12:45 p.m. Organ Recital by Michael Olson, Sanctuary

1:30 p.m. Wednesday Fellowship,

Sanctuary/The Great Hall

5:15 p.m. Baptism Training Zoom Meeting

6 p.m. Wednesday Worship Online

Thursday, Aug 6

No Scheduled Activities

Friday, Aug 7

12 p.m. Church/Church Office Closes

5 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal for Gunderson/Nelson,

New Celebration Center

Saturday, Aug 8

3:30 p.m. Wedding of Chloe Gunderson and Nick Nelson,

New Celebration Center

Sunday, Aug 9

9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary 9 a.m. Traditional Worship Online

9 a.m. Contemporary Worship, New Celebration Center

11 a.m. Contemporary Worship, New Celebration Center

11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Online

ANNUALMEETING

The Annual Meeting will be held today, August 2, at 10 a.m. in The Great Hall. Please plan to attend the Annual Meeting—your participation is important.

CELEBRATEBAPTISM

Today we celebrate the baptism of lan Stensgard, son of Karen and Michael Stensgard.

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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