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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21
JOHN 3:1-21

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LIVE
LOVE
LEAD
like Jesus

*let your
light
shine*

MATT. 6:18

ON BROADWAY



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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 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.*

belong!
BECOMING A MEMBER
OF FIRST LUTHERAN

BELONGING Each quarter, we host a new member BELONG class to introduce and welcome new members to First Lutheran. The next class is planned for this spring (date TBD). Contact the church office for details.

February 21, 2021: Celebration Worship
Live, Love, and Lead Like Jesus

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

SONG: Chain Breaker

SONG: Nobody Loves Me Like You

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS:

*Dear Father,
I am sorry for putting me at the center of your universe. My ego often gets in the way of seeing and serving others. My pride many times blocks my view of you. My greatest enemy is my own illusion of greatness. I've filled my world with meaningless words and endless activities to fill the void in my soul. I forgot about quiet and simplicity. I've added to my schedule when I should have subtracted. I should have emptied myself in order to be filled. Forgive me Lord, teach me, mold me shape me. Renew me in your way. Amen.*

QUIET TIME

SONG: Bring the Rain

SCRIPTURE: John 3:1-21

MESSAGE: Pastor Corey Bjertness

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: Through All Of It

WORDS OF PROMISE

LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION/SPECIAL MUSIC:

*John 20:29 - Eldon Johnson
Revive Me - Jeremy Camp
Eldon Johnson, vocalist*

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

BLESSING/BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG: You Never Let Go

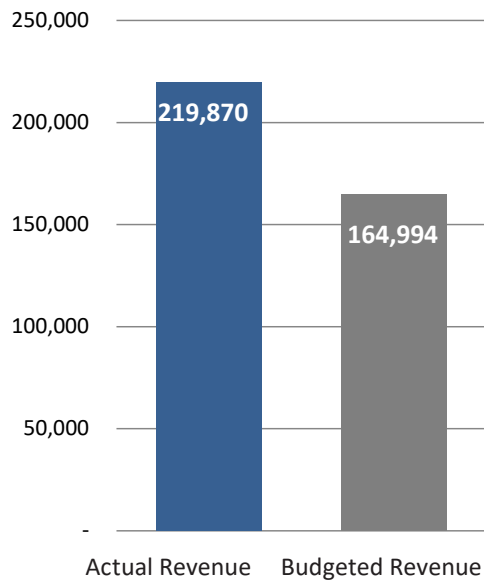
L: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Worship has ended. Now service begins.

GENEROSITY REPORT

FLC JANUARY STEWARDSHIP



JANUARY MEMORIALS

In Memory of Char Maas

for Abigail Circle from Carol Feste

In Memory of Gerald "Reo" Sloan

for General:Bibles from Family & Friends

In Memory of Milton Lakness (Brother of Joanne Drenkow)

for Sunday School from Kathleen Otheim

In Memory of Robert Buresh (Father of Diane Harrison)

for Sunday School from Kathleen Otheim

In Memory of Terry Bladholm

for Radio from Carol Feste

for General from Charles Burman

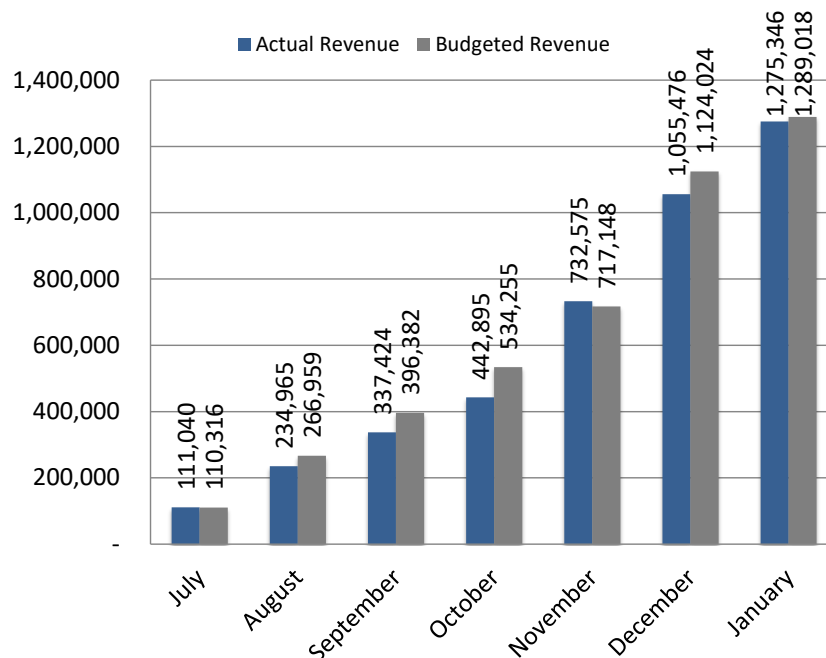
for General from Diane Syverson

In Memory of Wayne Wilson

for Befrienders from Betty Wilson

for Youth from Betty Wilson

STEWARDSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS FY 2020-21 GENERAL FUND



NEWS&EVENTS

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

Lent 2021: Learning to Walk in the Dark

"... If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you." Psalm 139:7-12

This Lenten season, we will be learning what it means to walk in the dark. Join us through worship, book study, and other events to explore the mysteries of darkness.

In-person worship: Wednesdays, February 24-March 24

- 1:30 p.m., Wednesday Fellowship, Sanctuary
- 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary
- 6 p.m., Celebration Center

Lenten book studies:

Each household is encouraged to pick up a copy of Barbara Brown Taylor's book *Learning to Walk in the Dark* (available at the Welcome Desk). Register for a book study at flcfargo.org or at the church office.

In-person Adult Book Study:

- Tuesdays, 11 a.m., Fellowship Hall
- Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Online Women's Book Study:

- Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m., Zoom meeting
- Thursdays, 7 p.m., Zoom meeting

Night Hike

Experience "walking in the dark" by joining Rollie for a Night Hike. Let your other senses come to life to navigate hiking through darkness. Friday, March 5, 8 p.m. Meet at Rollie's house: 505 66th Ave N, Moorhead.

Kids' Movie Night Out—Parents Night In

Friday, March 12, drop-off 5:30-6 p.m., pick-up 8 p.m.
For kids grades 1-4
Featured movie: Disney/Pixar's Monsters Inc.
Bring your own pillow/blanket. Popcorn and pizza treats!

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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

CELEBRATEPRAYER

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, Amy Carey, Jim Frisk, Gail Zimprich, Clark Hoffman, Julie Anderson, Janice Ames, Pam Burley, Dan and Janna Westerholm, Marilyn Parker, Betty Wilson, Liz Gibb, Annette Ward-Reddick, Barb Orvedal, LaVern Hoganson, Roger Hansen, Marlene Young, George, and Marcia.

RADIOBROADCAST

Today's radio broadcast is given in honor of **George Berg's** 75th birthday on February 21.

CHRISTIANEDUCATION

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): FLOCK Magazine and FLOCK online resources

56ers (5-6th grade): on break during Lent (kids are encouraged to attend worship with their family)

Servant Leadership Academy/Confirmation

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

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

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THISWEEK

Sunday, February 21—Communion Sunday

- 9 a.m. **Traditional Worship**, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. **Traditional Worship Online & Radio**
- 9 a.m. **Contemporary Worship**, Celebration Center
- 10 a.m. **Coffee Fellowship**, The Great Hall
- 10:30 a.m. **Contemporary Worship**, Celebration Center
- 10:30 a.m. **Contemporary Worship Online**
- 12:30 p.m. **Open Doors For All Nations Worship**, CrossTalk Café
- 2 p.m. **Winter Family Fun Day**, Rollie's house
505 66th Ave N, Moorhead

Monday, February 22

- 9 a.m. **Quilters Ministry**, Fellowship Hall
- 1 p.m. **Staff Meeting**, Adult Ed Room

Tuesday, February 23

- 7 a.m. **Men's Bible Study**, Fellowship Hall
- 11 a.m. **Adult Lenten Bible Study**, Fellowship Hall
- 1:30 p.m. **Online Women's Lenten Study**, Zoom meeting
- 6 p.m. **BeFriender Meeting**, Adult Ed Room
- 6 p.m. **Tae Kwon Do**, Gym
- 7 p.m. **Adult Lenten Bible Study**, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 24

- 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/Great Hall
- 5:30 p.m. **In-Person Lenten Worship**, Sanctuary
- 6 p.m. **In-Person Lenten Worship**, Celebration Center
- 7 p.m. **Online Confirmation/SLA Class**, Zoom meeting
- 8 p.m. **High School Youth Group**, The Great Hall

Thursday, February 25

- 8:15 a.m. **Quilters Ministry**, Fellowship Hall
- 1 p.m. **Prayer Shawl Ministry Gathering**, Fellowship Hall
- 7 p.m. **Online Women's Lenten Study**, Zoom meeting

Friday, February 26

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

Sunday, February 28

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

UPCOMINGFAMILYLIFEEVENTS

Winter Family Fun Day

Today, February 21, 2-4 p.m.

Ady & Rollie Johnson's home, 505 66th Ave N, Moorhead
No registration required. Just show up!

Grab your friends and family for some winter fun with the Family Life Team! **Everyone is welcome!** We invite all kids and their families (all ages, grandparents, aunts, uncles, neighbors, EVERYONE) to join us for outdoor winter fun (sled the dike, trek the trails) and warm treats and a bonfire! Special guests include Mr. Rollie from Mr. Rollie's Neighborhood programs and live animals—Dumbledore the sheep and Rufus the llama. Contact Marlee Robertson, mrobertson@flcfargo.org, with any questions.

BROADCASTMINISTRY

- **Online:** Sundays 9 & 10:30 a.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).

NEXTWEEK'SSCRIPTURE

Sunday, February 28:

- Sanctuary: John 8:31-38
- Celebration: John 8:12-20

SUPPORT FIRST LUTHERAN MINISTRIES:



ONLINE GIVING: www.flcfargo.org (from the Quick Links banner select "Donate Now")



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