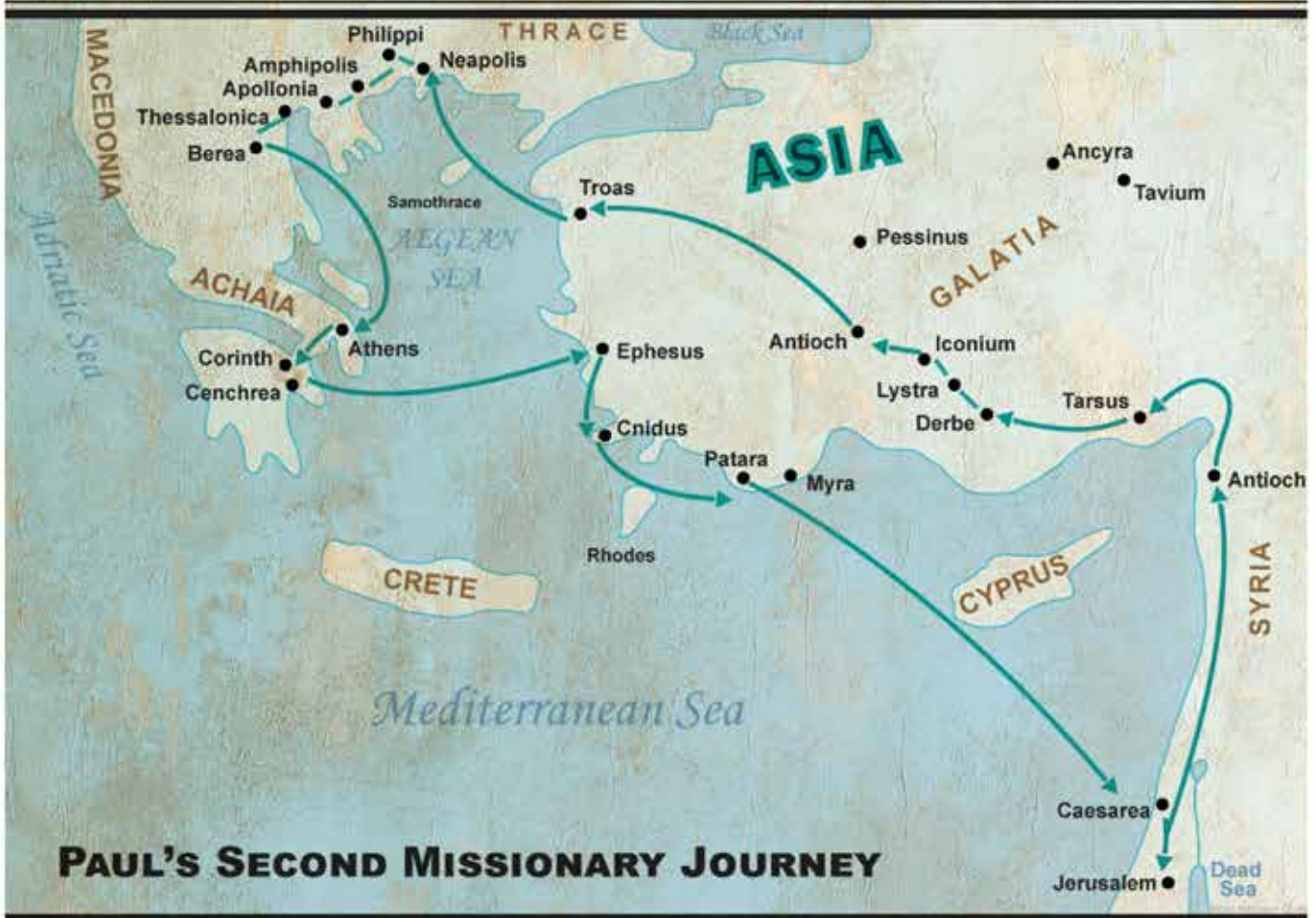




THE JOURNEYS OF PAUL



Sunday, June 27

| 1 Corinthians 1:1-3; 18-31



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

INSPIRE. EQUIP. REACH.

WELCOME! If you sailed into church this morning on the tides of triumph or if you crawled in under the crushing blows of defeat... **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 and Wednesdays 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 in the Sanctuary on the north end of the church; 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Chapel.**



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.



BELONGING Each quarter, we host a new member BELONG class to introduce and welcome new members to First Lutheran. The next class will be held in the fall/October. Contact the church office for details.

The mission of First Lutheran Church is to bring people into a relationship with Jesus Christ and to help them grow in the Christian faith.

June 27, 2021: FLC @

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Message	Pastor Laurie Neill
Assisting Pastors	Pastor Stephanie Tollefson
	Pastor Corey Bjertness
Music Minister	Michael Olson
Cantor	Erik Johnson

PRELUDE:

Canon in D — Johann Pachelbel, arr. Richard Bradley and Charles Lindberg
Erik Johnson, piano; Michael Olson, organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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: *Lift High the Cross*

(ELW 660)

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

(please be seated)

GREETING:

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

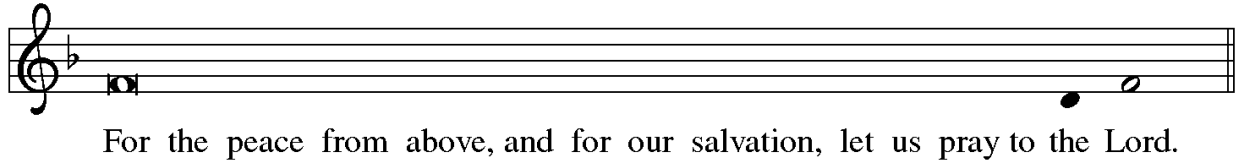
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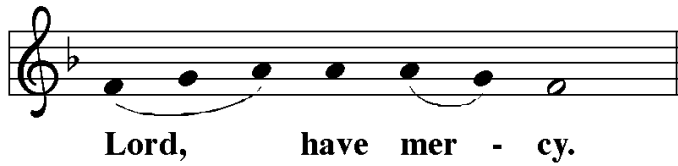
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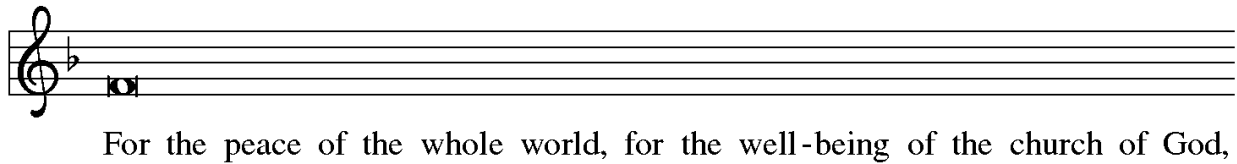
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



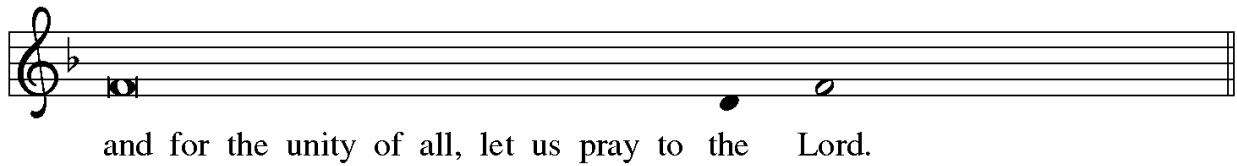
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



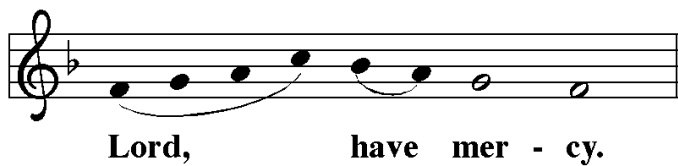
Lord, have mer - cy.



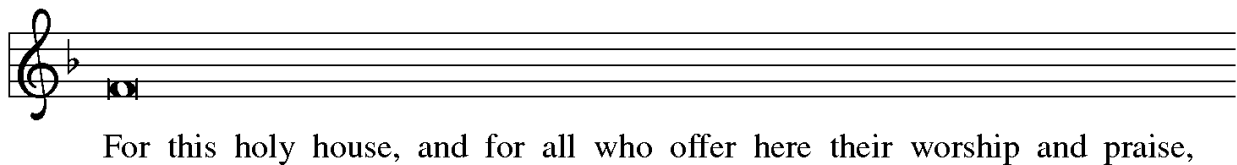
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



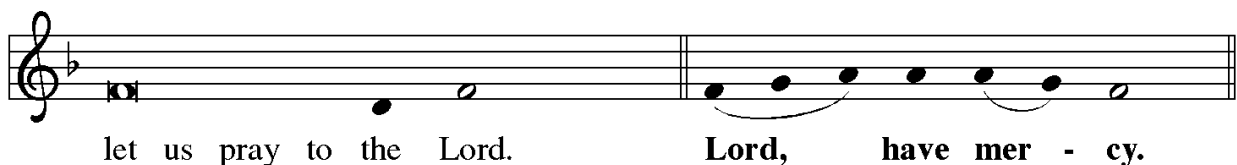
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



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



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

CANTICLE OF PRAISE:

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

(please stand as you are able)

NEW TESTAMENT READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

(please be seated)

MESSAGE: Pastor Laurie Neill

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Be Thou My Vision*

(ELW 793)



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,






wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

OFFERING:

OFFERING OPTIONS

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 (see back page of the bulletin for more information).

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

MUSICAL MEDITATION:

My Jesus, I Love Thee/What A Friend We Have in Jesus — arr. John Carter
Erik Johnson, piano; Michael Olson, organ

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father, who 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

(please stand as you are able)

BENEDICTION & THREEFOLD AMEN

SENDING HYMN: *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

(ELW 803)

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a
prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,
count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

POSTLUDE:

Jesus Loves Me — arr. Janet Linker
Erik Johnson, piano; Michael Olson, organ



SUMMER OUTDOOR CONCERT SERIES

Over eight weeks in June and July, renowned local and regional musicians will perform a **FREE** concert Wednesdays at 6 p.m. on the corner of 6th Avenue and Broadway in downtown Fargo.

We invite you to join us to enjoy great music and to meet our neighbors in the downtown community. Event starts at 5 p.m. with **Food Trucks!***

MUSICAL ACTS (6 P.M.)

- June 2** - Post-Traumatic Funk Syndrome
- June 9** - Becker County Dixieland Authority
- June 16** - Penny & Pals (Kids Night/Chalk Art Crafts)
- June 23** - Fargo Blues Machine
- July 7** - Poitin
- July 14** - Front Fenders
- July 21** - David Ferreira & Friends
- July 28** - River City



**WEDNESDAY CONCERTS SPONSORED BY:
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*Visit flcfargo.org for more info on featured food trucks.

FLC@ UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

FLC Night at the Redhawks

Thursday, July 15, 7 p.m. game time, \$10

Come enjoy some baseball at Newman Outdoor Field with your FLC friends. Cheer on the team as they take on the Gary SouthShore RailCats. First pitch is at 7:02 p.m. This will be a fun evening of fellowship while rooting for the RedHawks. Register online or at the front desk by July 1.



Canoe the Red River

Saturday, July 17, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., \$7 per person.

Join us as we paddle the historic Red River of the North! We'll be paddling in our 26-foot long Voyageur North Canoes that we built in 2014. We'll pause at Johnson Park for a barbeque lunch and then continue northward to our outtake on Wall Street. Contact Rollie at rjohnson@flcfargo.org with questions.

Medora: The Greatest Show in the West!

Thursday-Friday, August 12-13. Leave the church at noon on the 12th, return early evening on the 13th. Cost: \$300 (includes musical ticket, Pitchfork Fondue, Gospel Brunch, transportation, and double room at the Badlands Motel.)

Take a trip to Medora with Pr. Corey, Beverly, and your FLC family and friends! Dinner includes the Pitchfork Fondue before we head to the famous Medora Musical. We will continue Friday morning when we see the Gospel Brunch. Sign up online at flcfargo.org by Wednesday, July 10.

MedoraTM
EXPLORE IT. ADORE IT.



First Annual Swamp Romp

*Sunday, August 22, 2 p.m., Free,
Rollie's ranch, 505 66th Ave. N., Moorhead*

Followed by bottled water and treat by the warm fire. For kids of any age! Don't listen to your mom. We'll be walking, slogging, and wading through the Oakport coulee. Be at eye level with the muskrats, ducks, and geese. Swim in the beaver pond! Get weird! Get wild! An afternoon of hilarious fun and adventure for all.



Where is
FLCKIDS@
this summer?

First Lutheran's summer theme is...FLC @! Because where you are @ is where God is @! Check out where FLC Kids@ will take you this summer!

FLC @ Camp Wilderness

Monday, August 9 - Wednesday, August 11

Completed 5th - 6th grade

Hike, play games, eat awesome food, sleep in a tent, and learn some new skills as you explore the wilderness with friends. You won't want to miss it!

FLC @ FBA (Fargo Basketball Academy) for Holy Hoops

Monday, July 26 and Tuesday, July 27,

9 a.m. - 12 Noon

Completed 1st - 6th grade

Join us and discover a little something about Jesus and basketball.



Camp Wilderness



Fargo Basketball Academy

Register by scanning the codes or by visiting our website flcfargo.org

NEWS & EVENTS

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

OUTDOOR SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Wednesdays, June-July, next concert is July 7

featuring **Poitin**

5 p.m. food trucks, 6 p.m. concert
(no concert Wednesday, June 30)

This summer we invite you to join us for great music and to meet our neighbors in the downtown community. Bring your own chair for seating comfort. See bulletin insert for concert details and schedule.

FLC @ SUMMER EVENTS

This summer we have several upcoming congregational/community events planned. Join us! See bulletin insert for details.

Visit flcfargo.org to register.

- FLC @ RedHawks game - July 15
- FLC @ Canoe the Red River - July 17
- FLC @ Medora trip - August 12-13
- and FLC @ Swamp Romp! - August 22

FLC HELPING HANDS - SUMMER BREAK

The Helping Hands Men's Group (Tuesdays, 8 a.m.) will break for the summer and resume in the fall on Tuesday, September 7. Watch for a reminder announcement in late August.

FOURTH OF JULY SCHEDULE

Due to the upcoming holiday, the worship schedule will be modified on Sunday, July 4:

- In-person worship, 9 a.m., Sanctuary (communion)
- Online Sanctuary and radio, 9 a.m.
- Online Celebration, 10:30 am.
- Note: no in-person Celebration worship at 9 or 10:30 a.m., online only on July 4.
- Church/church office closed Monday, July 5

CHURCH OFFICE: 701.235.7389, info@flcfargo.org

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS / WELCOME DESK:

MON, TUES, WEDS, THURS 8 a.m.—4 p.m.

FRI: Closed

SUN 8:30 a.m.—12 p.m.

Wi-Fi: FLCGuest, password: FirstLutheran619

CELEBRATE PRAYER

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, Gail Zimprich, Janice Ames, Pam Burley, Paul Hulberg, Suzanne Spiese, Carter Eberhardt, Jackson Eberhardt, James Tjon, Christopher Tjon, Marilyn Parker, Marlene Young, Wes Briggs, Shawn Orvedal, Doug Aaseby, Barb Orvedal, Charlotte Nielson, Linda Merkens, Nick DeNault, Gary Helland, Gerald Sauvageau, Pat Krebs, Dawn Nygord, Judy Loewen, Karen Breivold, Jan Vacha, Darlene Birkholz, Warren Birkholz, Tammy Birkholz, and George.*

The sympathy and prayers of First Lutheran are offered to the family and friends of **Kathleen Winter**, sister-in-law of Carol Bjorge; and **James Rickard**, grandfather of Katie Lebak.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Kids are an important part of FLC! Our 2020/2021 online classes have ended for the school year. In-person classes will resume in Fall 2021 with a full class offering for ages 3-high school.

See the back page for scheduled Family Life summer events for our kids and families!

SIGN UP NOW FOR FALL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION!

The Family Life Team is planning for fall. Register your kids at flcfargo.org or stop by the Welcome Desk to pick-up a registration form.

- Preschool-4th Grade (Kids at First)
- 5th-6th Grades (56ers)
- 7th-8th Grades (SLA/Confirmation)
- 9th Grade and High Schoolers (Youth Group)

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THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 27

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

Monday, June 28

- 8-8:30 a.m. FLC @ Rusty K Ranch drop-off, FLC
- 12-12:30 p.m. FLC @ Rusty K Ranch pick-up, FLC
- 1 p.m. Staff Meeting, Adult Ed Room
- 6:30 p.m. FLC @ Gallery on the Go, 6th Ave & Broadway

Tuesday, June 29

- 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
- 8-8:30 a.m. FLC @ Rusty K Ranch drop-off, FLC
- 12-12:30 p.m. FLC @ Rusty K Ranch pick-up, FLC
- 6 p.m. Tae Kwon Do, Gym

Wednesday, June 30

- 8-8:30 a.m. FLC @ Rusty K Ranch drop-off, FLC
- 12-12:30 p.m. FLC @ Rusty K Ranch pick-up, FLC
- 12:45 p.m. Organ Recital with Michael Olson, Sanctuary
- 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Fellowship, Chapel/Great Hall

Thursday, July 1

- 8-8:30 a.m. FLC @ Rusty K Ranch drop-off, FLC
- 12-12:30 p.m. FLC @ Rusty K Ranch pick-up, FLC
- 12 p.m. Small Group Bible Study, Heritage Room

Friday, July 2

Church/Church Office Closed

Saturday, July 3

No Scheduled Activities

Sunday, July 4 - Communion Sunday

- 9 a.m. In-person worship, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. Online Sanctuary worship, flcfargo.org and Facebook
- 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Great Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Online Celebration worship, flcfargo.org and Facebook
- 12:30 p.m. Open Doors For All Nations Worship, CrossTalk Café

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

Sunday, July 4: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31.

SUPPORT FLC MINISTRIES

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- **Text to Give:** Text 701.354.1495 with the dollar amount you would like to give
- **Mail a Check:** 619 Broadway N, Fargo, ND 58102
- **Scan to Give:** Scan the QR code shown below



FAMILY LIFE SUMMER EVENTS

First Lutheran's summer theme is FLC @. Because where you are @/at is where God is @! Check out where Kids at First and the Family Life Team will take you this summer.

- **FLC @ Rusty K Ranch**, June 28-July 1, 8:30 a.m.-noon, kids who have completed kindergarten-4th grade
- **FLC @ Fargo Basketball Academy for Holy Hoops**, July 26-27, 9 a.m.-noon, kids who have completed 1st-6th grade
- **FLC @ Camp Wilderness**, August 9-11, kids who have completed 5th-6th grade
- **FLC @ Moorhead Swamp Romp**, August 22, 2 p.m., Rollie's house, kids and families of any age

Visit flcfargo.org to register. Questions?: contact Marlee Robertson, mrobertson@flcfargo.org.

BROADCAST SCHEDULE

- **Online:** Sundays 9 & 10:30 a.m., flcfargo.org and Facebook.
- **Radio:** Sundays 9 a.m., 970AM and 93.1FM.
- **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).