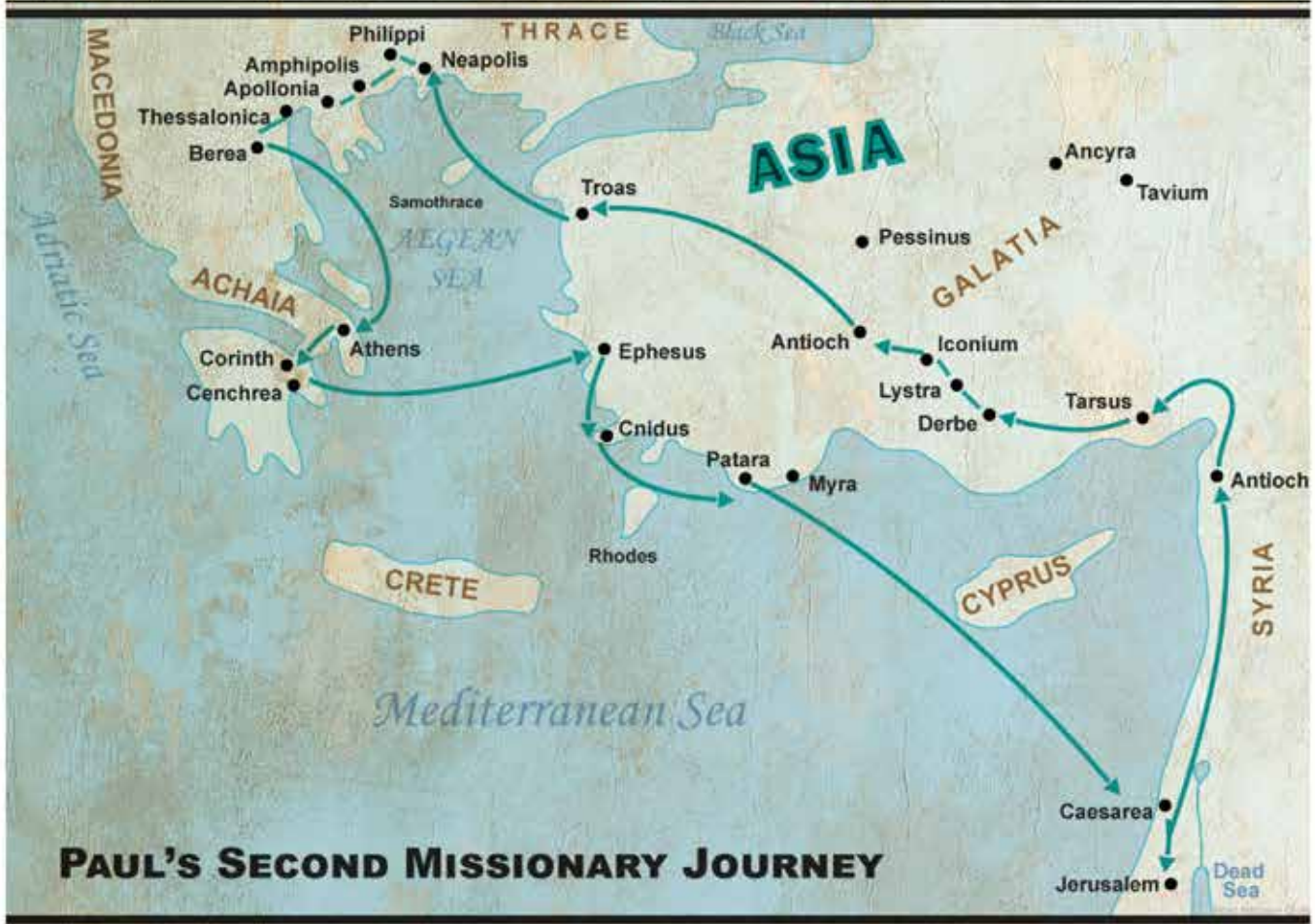




THE JOURNEYS OF PAUL



Sunday, July 18 | 2 Corinthians 4



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.



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.

July 18, 2021: FLC @

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Message	Pastor Marty Tollefson
Assisting Pastor	Pastor Corey Bjertness
Music Minister	Michael Olson
Cantor	Gene Okerlund

PRELUDE:

Meditation (Ave Maria) — J.S. Bach/Charles Gounod, arr. Jacques Larocque
Gene Okerlund, windjammer; Michael Olson, accompanist

WELCOME & 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: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

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

Silence for reflection

P: Gracious God,

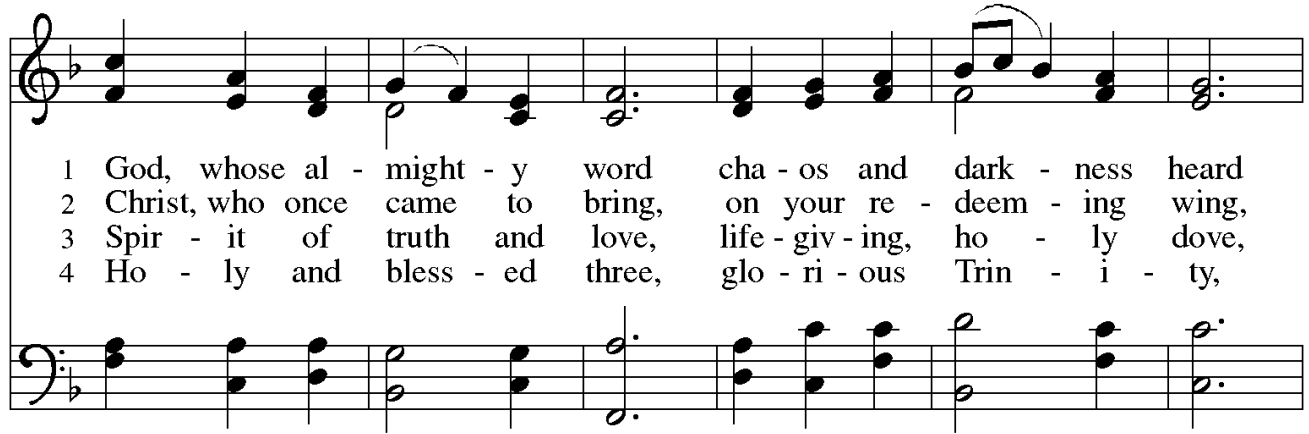
C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

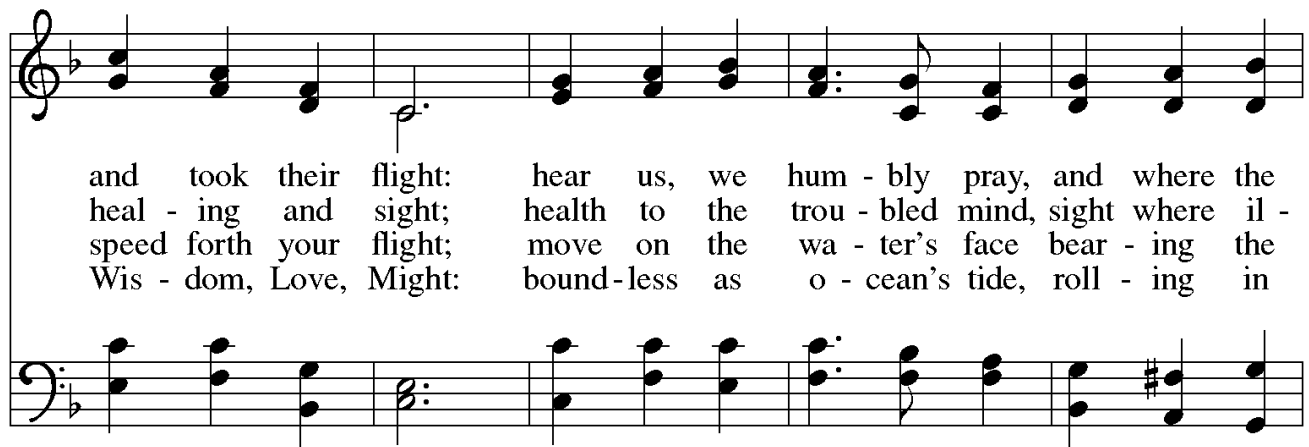
C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN: *God, Whose Almighty Word*

(ELW 673)



1 God, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard
2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,
3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,
4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,



and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the
heal - ing and sight; health to the trou - bled mind, sight where il -
speed forth your flight; move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the
Wis - dom, Love, Might: bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in



gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light.
lu - sions blind; oh, now to hu - man-kind let there be light.
lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place let there be light.
full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

(please be seated)

GREETING:

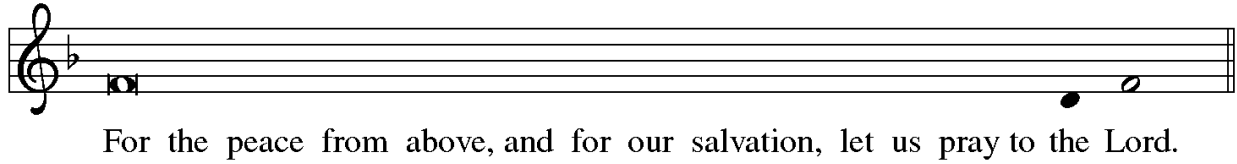
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

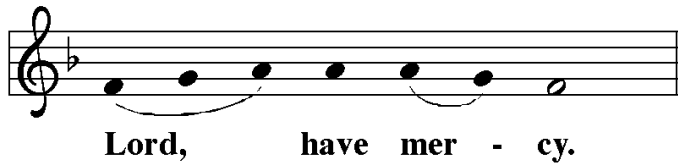
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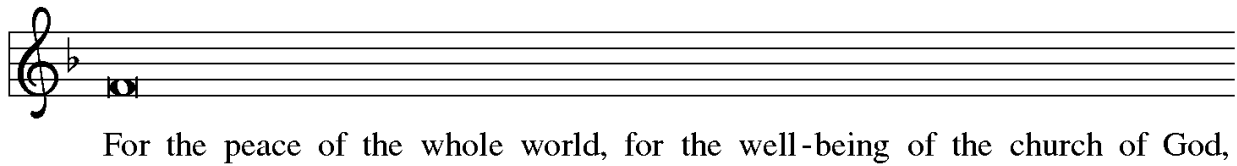
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



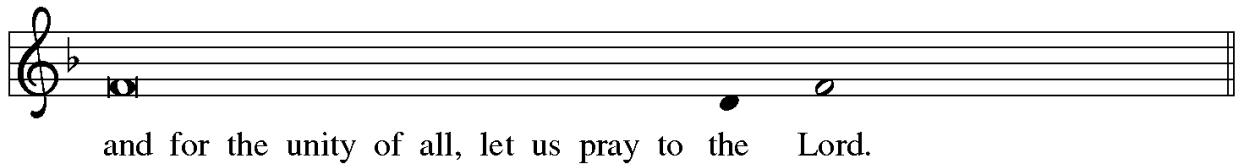
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



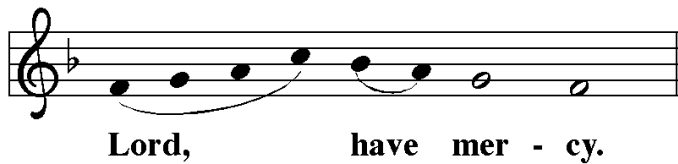
Lord, have mer - cy.



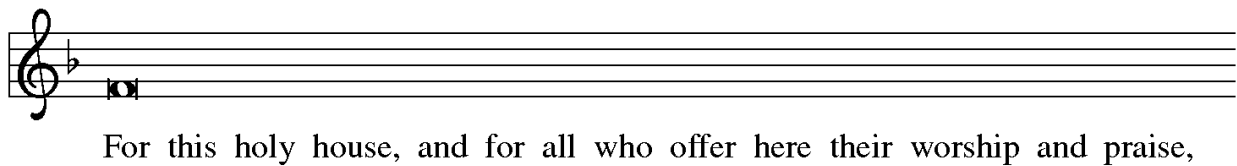
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



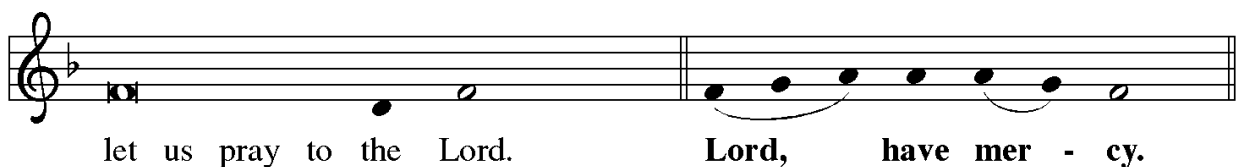
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



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:

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



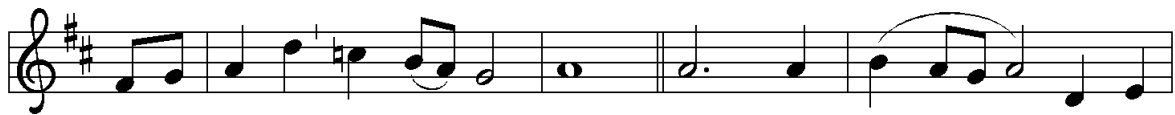
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: Let us pray.

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

(please stand as you are able)

NEW TESTAMENT READING: 2 Corinthians 4

(please be seated)

MESSAGE: Pastor Marty Tollefson

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Day by Day*

(ELW 790)

1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens

to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me

draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter

mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
 of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
 what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,




lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
 help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
 with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

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.

Online Giving is an easy and convenient way to "set it and forget it."

-  **ONLINE GIVING:** www.ficfargo.org (from the Quick Links banner select 'Donate Now')
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MUSICAL MEDITATION:

He Knows My Name — Tommy Walker
Gene Okerlund, vocalist
Michael Olson, accompanist

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

WORDS OF PROMISE

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.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: *Jesus, the Very Thought of You*

(ELW 754)

1 Je - sus, the ver - y thought of you fills us with sweet de - light;
2 No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind re - call
3 O Hope of ev - 'ry con - trite soul, O Joy of all the meek,
4 O Je - sus, be our joy to - day; help us to prize your love;

but sweet-er far your face to view and rest with - in your light.
a sweet-er sound than your blest name, O Sav - ior of us all!
how kind you are to those who fall! How good to those who seek!
grant us at last to hear you say: "Come, share my home a - bove."

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: *You Are the Way*

(ELW 758)

1 You are the way; to you a - lone from sin and death we flee;
2 You are the truth; your word a - lone true wis - dom can im - part;
3 You are the life; the rend - ing tomb pro - claims your con - qu'ring arm;
4 You are the way, the truth, the life; grant us that way to know,

all those who search for God, you find and by your grace set free.
you on - ly can in - form the mind and pu - ri - fy the heart.
and those who put their trust in you not death nor hell shall harm.
that truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

(ELW 759)

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my
be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's
shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love fear and dis -

guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!
love to thee pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire!
tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
trust re - move; oh, bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

(please stand as you are able)

BENEDICTION & THREEFOLD AMEN

SENDING HYMN: *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

(ELW 834)

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

POSTLUDE:

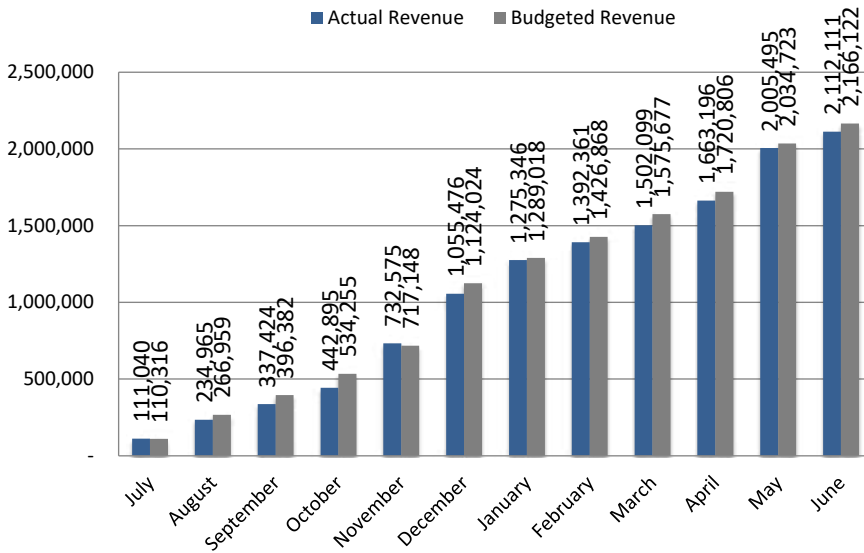
Rigaudon — Andre Campra
Michael Olson, organist

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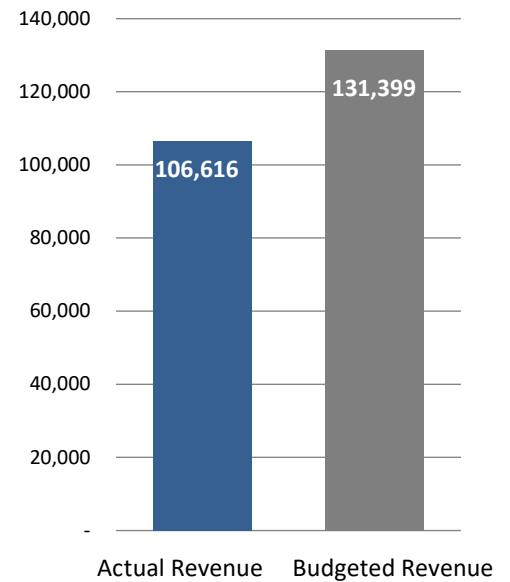
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SUMMER OUTDOOR CONCERT SERIES

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



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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 21 featuring **David Ferreira & Friends**
5 p.m. food truck, 6 p.m. concert

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.

ANNUAL MEETING - SAVE THE DATE & RSVP

Sunday, August 8, lunch 11:30 a.m., meeting 12 p.m.
Great Hall

Please RSVP for the annual meeting at flcfargo.org to help us plan meeting quorum headcount.

Make plans and join us for First Lutheran's Annual Meeting on August 8. Fiscal 2022 Budget Forums will be held on Sundays, July 25 and August 1 at 10:15 a.m. in the Chapel to inform you on next year's budget plan.

ORDINATION OF KATIE KRINGSTAD

Today, Sunday, July 18, 1:30 p.m., Sanctuary

We are thrilled to announce that Katie Kringstad has completed her Master of Divinity education from Luther Seminary and has accepted a call to be the Pastor at Norman-Davenport Parish.

Katie's ordination will take place on Sunday, July 18 at 1:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary of First Lutheran. Please join us as we congratulate Katie, her husband Chris, and daughters Sydney, Christina, and Claire on this momentous occasion.

For those unable to attend in-person, the service will be live-streamed at flcfargo.org and vimeo.com/flcfargo.

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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:

Marianne Reif, Kari Appeltoft, James Tjon, Christopher Tjon, Carter Eberhardt, Jackson Eberhardt, Judy Loewen, Jan Vacha, Karen Breivold, Suzanne Spiese, Pat Krebs, Marilyn Parker, Doug Aaseby, Dawn Nygord, Gary Sauvageau, Brenda Cummins, Wes Briggs, Nick DeNault, Gary Helland, Paul Hulberg, Marlene Young, Linda Merkens, Janice Ames, Pam Burley, Shawn Orvedal, Barb Orvedal, Charlotte Nielson, Darlene Birkholz, Warren Birkholz, Tammy Birkholz, Susan Syverson, Olivia Allen, Connie, Diane, Steve, David, and George.

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 upcoming 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)

YOUR MINISTRY TEAM

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Gary Inman, Past Chair	701.371.1563

THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 18 - Communion Sunday

- 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
- 1:30 p.m. Ordination of Katie Kringstad, Sanctuary
- 4:45 p.m. Salvation Army Supper, 304 Roberts St

Monday, July 19

- 9 a.m. Quilters Ministry, Adult Ed Room

Tuesday, July 20

- 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
- 6 p.m. Tae Kwon Do, Gym

Wednesday, July 21

- 12:45 p.m. Organ Recital with Michael Olson, Sanctuary
- 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Fellowship, Chapel/Great Hall
- 5 p.m. Food Truck
- 6 p.m. Outdoor Summer Concert: David Ferreira & Friends

Thursday, July 22

- 12 p.m. Small Group Bible Study, Heritage Room

Friday, July 23

Church/Church Office Closed

Saturday, July 24

No Scheduled Events

Sunday, July 25

- 9 a.m. Traditional worship, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. Contemporary worship, Celebration Center
- 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Great Hall
- 10:15 a.m. Fiscal 2022 Budget Forum, Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary worship, Celebration Center
- 12:30 p.m. Open Doors For All Nations Worship, CrossTalk Café

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

Sunday, July 25: Philippians 2:1-11.

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BAPTISM

Today we celebrate the baptisms of **Evelynn DeCoteau**, daughter of Anjanette and Kenny DeCoteau; and **Penelope Hansen**, daughter of Amanda Reger and Michael Hanson.

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 @ 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).