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Josiah’s Reform
Saturday, November 23, 2019

Prelude
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Hymn O God of Every Nation ELW 713

Prayer of the Day
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“The Word of the Lord” Response: Thanks be to God!
Gospel Acclamation Halle, Halle Hallelujah ELW 172
Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord.
Response after the reading: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn Let Justice Flow like Streams ELW 717
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Hymn O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v. 1, 4, 5, 8) ELW 257

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8:30am & 10:45am

Call to Worship  Lift Him Up (used by permission 1990 Mark Walth, CCLI 473052)
Listen to the music as it starts. Slowly growing like a rising spring in our hearts. We’ll proclaim salvation from the hills to the sea in God’s love we will be free.

Chorus: Lift Him up! Lift the name of Jesus higher. Come now worship Him and Sing. Lift Him Up! Let Him set your hearts on fire and become a living offering to the King of Kings.

Now the Spirit lifts us to the throne to see the King who loves us all and claims us for His own. Now within His presence, with hearts and voices raised, the Son of God is to be praised (Chorus)

Welcome/Announcements
Opening Song  Wonders of God
(CCLI Song # 1136790 Rick Muchow,© 1992 Rick Muchow (Encouraging Music) (Admin. by Encouraging Music)
Let’s sing about the greatness of the Father, Let’s sing about the glory of His Son; And the Holy Spirit dwelling among us, Let’s sing about the wonders of God. Oh let’s sing about the wonders of God. Oh let’s sing about the wonders of God. The earth and heaven above, Echo the wonder of His love. Join the chorus, God is for us, the greatest wonder of all.

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Children’s Sermon
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“The Word of the Lord” Response: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation  Bless the Lord, O My Soul
Bless the Lord O my soul, bless the Lord O my soul, and all that is within me bless God’s holy name

Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord.
Response after the reading: Praise to you, O Christ.
Hymn

**My Redeemer Lives**
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I know He rescued my soul, His blood has covered my sin, I believe, I believe;
My shame He’s taken away, my pain is healed in His name, I believe, I believe,
I’ll raise a banner; my Lord has conquered the grave.
My Redeemer lives, my Redeemer lives; My Redeemer lives; my Redeemer lives. (repeat verse)

My Redeemer lives, my Redeemer lives; My Redeemer lives; my Redeemer lives.
You lift my burden, I’ll rise with you I’m dancing on this mountaintop to see your kingdom come.
My Redeemer lives, my Redeemer lives; My Redeemer lives; my Redeemer lives. (repeat)

Sermon

Hymn

**In Christ Alone**
(used by permission, Keith Getty/Stuart Towned, 2001 Thankyou Music, Song Number: 3350395 CCLI 473052)

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, and strivings cease.
My comforter, my all in all, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, the fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that Cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then, bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me;
From life’s first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I’ll stand!

No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I’ll stand!

Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

Offering

Open up the Heavens

Offertory

**All I Have**
(used by permission, 1986 Abundant Life Music Company, CCLI 473052)

All I have belongs to You, for all I have has come from You. Nothing I own, nothing I possess is by my own hand; It’s by Your faithfulness. So please take this offering from a heart of thanksgiving, for you’ve given all I have.
Benediction

Closing Song  
**Shine, Jesus, Shine**  
(used with permission © 1987 Make Way Music CCLI #473052 CCLI Song # 30426)

Chorus:  *Shine, Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;*  
*Blaze, Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire.*  
*Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;*  
*Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light.*

Lord, the light of Your love is shining, In the midst of the darkness, shining;  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us, Set us free by the truth You now bring us.  
**Shine on me, shine on me.** (Chorus)

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness, So our faces display Your likeness;  
Ever changing from glory to glory, Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story.  
**Shine on me, shine on me.** (Chorus)
Today’s radio broadcast is sponsored by Warren & Ardella Quarnstrom in celebration of 69 years of marriage.

Blessings to Erica May Weets & Brianna Rose Weets baptized on Saturday. Parents are Jordan & Amanda Weets. Sponsors are Spencer VanOverbeke and Ashly Benson.

**Prayer List:** John Doyle, Curt Sorum, Sierra Waege (granddaughter of Dorothy and Harlen Barck), Vi Thomasson, Val Krogstad, Darlene Newman (sister of Janet Landby), Jenifer Klein’s sister, Carla, Al Evers, Oliver Navarrete (great grandson of Harlen & Dorothy Barck), Lori Folk, Jeanette Meyer (mother of Steve Meyer), Brian Brandt, Jim Abel, Dorwin Swenson (father of Jason Swenson), Jan Maeyar-Hansen, Lenore Haug (mother of Carolyn Fuller), Duane Larsen (father of Jeff Larsen), Beverly Willhite (mother of Judy Miller), Norm Schoephoerster, Jim Valentin’s sister, Margaret, Myra Colburn Family.

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### Sunday November 24

- Stewardship Sunday
- 8:30am & 10:45am Worship
- 9:30am TLC - Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal

### Monday November 25

- 6:30pm Beginning Experience
Tuesday November 26
9:00am Senior Coffee
10:30am Staff Meets

Wednesday November 27
No TLC, Worship or Youth Activities
9:30am Rejoice Bible Study
5:30pm Women’s Board Meeting
7:00pm Chancel Choir

Thursday & Friday November 28 & 29
Office Closed

Saturday November 30
5:30pm Worship - Post HS Students,
Thompson Baptism

Sunday December 1
9:30am Worship - Post HS Students
1:30pm Beginning Experience 40th Anniversary

News & Notes

The Stewardship Committee would like to invite the congregation to a Time, Talents and Treasures Celebration between services today in the Fellowship Hall. The Stewardship Committee will be serving coffee and donuts during this time of fellowship, thanksgiving and reflection. Please join us in saying thank you to everyone who volunteers their time and talents and to reflect on our current and future financial commitments to First Lutheran Church.

Hy-Vee Cards available for Purchase! The Senior High Youth will be selling Hy-Vee gift cards throughout the year as a part of their fundraisers. We have $50 cards and $100 cards. The youth will receive 5% of the money. Everyone needs groceries or gas, and it’s money you would spend anyway, if not all at one time, eventually. By using the gift cards, part of the money will go to the youth! Proceeds will go toward the 2020 High Adventures Trip to Washington. They can be purchased in the office or between services on Sunday mornings.

ADVENT CANDLES are available at First Lutheran again for families. This festive 12” tall taper artfully displays 24 numbers detailed in red and green to represent each day of advent. Each day your family can light the candle and watch one day melt away as visit together about your days. It’s simple, faith-filled, and easy to have this activity become a tradition in your household. Questions? Just ask Tonya. Please, one per family.

Along with the Advent candles, First Lutheran will be passing out REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR BAGS. Instead of receiving a treat every day counting down through the season of Advent, we’re going to put something in a bag for people who make use of the FOOD SHELF. Every day you’re invited to add something practical for a family to use like food items or personal hygiene items such as toothbrushes, soaps, etc. (As part of your devotions, you could add the item to the bag after you light the advent candle?!) The month after Christmas gets very busy at the food shelf so any items will be greatly appreciated! On or after December 26th, your family can bring your bag to the Kitchen Table-Marshall Food Shelf at 1400 S Saratoga.
Think of the blessings:
- It’s a great and different way for your family to give as we prepare to celebrate Christmas.
- It will make you feel good knowing that you’re doing something for another family.
- And it will be a wonderful field trip for your kids to see what the Food Shelf is all about.
If you can’t make it to the Food Shelf, simply drop off your full bag at First Lutheran and we’ll make sure that it gets delivered.

**FLY Christmas Cookie Walk**

Sunday December 8th 8AM-11AM AND Wednesday December 11th 4:30PM-6:30PM. Youth who will be attending the trip this summer will be hosting TWO Christmas Cookie Walks to raise funds. Trays will be available for you to fill in the Fellowship Hall (on Sunday) with your choice of yummy treats OR we will have trays pre-filled up in the Narthex ready to go (on BOTH Sunday and Wednesday.) So please save the date and plan to join us and get your baking done with no mess in your kitchen!

**TLC Christmas Programs**

Sunday, December 8: You’re all invited to the TLC Sunday Children’s Christmas Program. During the 10:45am Worship Service “The Christmas Story” will be presented by the TLC Sunday Students, Pre-K thru 6th Grade

Wednesday, December 11: You’re all invited to the TLC Wednesday Children’s Christmas Program. During the 5:15pm Worship Service “The Christmas Story” will be presented by the TLC Wednesday Students, Pre-K thru 6th Grade
Both Christmas Programs will be Broadcast on Studio One (Charter 180 & Vast 17) on the following dates: December 14 & 15 @ 6:30pm & December 21 & 24 @ 9:30am

**Heart to Heart Food Deliveries**

3:30pm on Friday Dec 13th (meet at the church). We are extending the invitation to any family that would like to help out with a route on that Friday after school. Questions? Just call Tonya. Please sign up with Tonya to participate so we know how many routes to make up. This is an awesome way to give of yourself during this Christmas season! And has become a great family tradition for some!

**Shetek Winter Fun Day**

for grades 3-6 is Friday December 27th from 9:30-4:30pm. Come to camp over your holiday break to be reminded of God’s love and to have a blustery blast with winter camp activities like: snowshoeing, broomball, Bible Time, cross country skiing and more! Cost: $25 per youth (Checks payable to Shetek). Deadline to sign up is Wednesday Dec 4th with form and money. Questions? Ask Tonya. Don’t miss out! Invite your friends to something different and awesome over Christmas Break!

**The Marshall Ministerial Thanksgiving Service**

will be at Christ United Presbyterian on Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00pm. The offering goes to the MAMA Transient Fund.

**Heart to Heart Tree**

is set up in the Narthex. This ministry offers children in our area the opportunity to celebrate a joyous Christmas. There are tags on the tree with either a boy or girl name along with an age bracket to purchase a gift. There are also envelopes for you make a monetary donation. You can place the envelope in the offering plate or leave at the
church office. Bring your unwrapped gifts back and place under the tree by December 6th. Thank you in advance for your support for the families in our area.

**Short-term Funeral Co-COordinator Needed** - First Lutheran Women’s Board is looking for someone interested in becoming a Funeral Co-COordinator for January 1 to March 31, 2020. When a death in the church occurs, the co-coordinator is contacted by the family and assists them with planning for and serving the reception following a funeral service. Co-Coordinators contact the caterer, workers for serving, and assist with all reception details. If anyone has questions or is interested in this important ministry, contact Shirley Anderson-Porisch (507-828-1945) or Kim Christianson (507-530-2301).

**Many First Lutheran members are Thrivent members:** If you are, did you know that you have benefits that can be put to work for First Lutheran Church. Each year every Thrivent benefit member has access to 2 Thrivent Action Teams. Thrivent Action Teams provide $250.00 grants for each Thrivent Action Team. This money can be used for seed money for the many projects going on here at First Lutheran. The church office can be contacted for projects. If you are unsure how to apply the office staff can be of assistance. In addition to Thrivent Action Teams, some benefit Members are given Thrivent Choice dollars. In the past you only needed to designate where you would like the Choice Dollars to go once, now you are required to do so every year. You must designate the previous years Dollars by March 31 of the following year, i.e. 2019 dollars must be designated by March 31, 2020. First Lutheran uses these dollars for worthy projects within the church. To designate dollars you can either access your account at Thrivent.com or call 800-847-4836 and ask for Thrivent Choice.

**First Lutheran Women’s Annual Christmas Tea** “Come, Fill Your Cup” Saturday, December 7th with gathering time at 10am, program begins at 10:30am. Tickets: $8.00. Speaker is Julie Clark Lingen - the founder of The Inspirational coffee club and will be speaking on the 12 ‘Ground Rules’ for life. We can never truly be the woman God desires unless we take time to fill our own cup. Julie will help us with tips to re-fill our cups and get refreshed and re-inspired for life. Tickets are for sale in the Narthex or church office. Julie will also speak at 1:30pm that day at Boulder Estates. We encourage you to bring your family and friends to Come, Fill Your Cup.

**SWMN/ Marshall Beginning Experience** is recognizing their 40th Anniversary this year on Sunday, December 1 at 1:30 p.m. at First Lutheran Church. All B.E.members and alumni are invited to attend this celebration. Everyone is invited to bring stories from the past and spread the word to previous participants that may no longer be on the email list.

**Needed: Radio Broadcast Sponsors** - Each Sunday morning, First Lutheran Church’s worship service can be heard on KMHL radio (1400 AM) at 11:00 a.m. This is an important ministry for those who are ill, hospitalized / homebound, or those who have limited vision and mobility. The cost for each broadcast is $93. You are invited to sponsor a Sunday broadcast. It can be done in honor of someone, in gratitude for something or someone, in memory of
someone, in celebration of an event, or for no particular reason. You will find a clipboard on
the table in the narthex on which you may write your name(s) next to the Sunday(s) of your
choice. Please include your address so the reminder card, sent the month before your chosen
Sunday, will go to your current address. At that time, you will send your $93 to the church
office and tell Becky what wording you would like in the bulletin. Thank you for supporting this
important ministry. Thank you also, so very much, to everyone who sponsored a broadcast in
2019. Marlene Nordby

Poinsettias can be ordered through the church again this year! If you’d like to help
decorate the sanctuary, please drop off or send your payment of $12.00 along with the
information below. All donations and dedications are due in the church office by December 1.

Given in honor of __________________________________________

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By________________________________________________________