



First Lutheran Church

We are believers seeking to invite all into the caring, sharing and growing ways of Christ.

Day of Pentecost

May 18-19, 2024

Call to Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn

O Holy Spirit, Root of Life (v. 1, 2, 3)

ELW 399

Confession and Forgiveness

Prayer of the Day

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Faith Chest

Readings

Acts 2:1-21
Romans 8:22-27

Children's Sermon

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

ELW 512

Sermon

Interlude with Time For Reflection

Sermon Hymn

Pastor Sara Vanderpan

Spirit of Gentleness (v. 1, 2, 4)

ELW 396

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

Sharing of the Peace

Place your hand on your heart and share the peace

Offering

Offertory

Offering Prayer

We Give Thee but Thine Own (v. 1)

ELW 686

Lord's Supper

Lord's Prayer

Communion

What Feast of Love

For the Bread Which You Have Broken

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

ELW 487

ELW 494

ELW 742

Come forward at the invitation of the ushers to receive the bread and wine. Gluten free wafers and white grape juice are also available. This is the Lord's table, where all are welcome. Children who have not yet received communion instruction are invited forward for a blessing.

Communion Blessing and Benediction

Closing Hymn

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind (v. 1, 3, 4) ELW 400

This Weekend's Readings

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great

and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

"The word of the Lord"

Response: ***Thanks be to God!***

Romans 8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. ²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

"The word of the Lord"

Response: ***Thanks be to God!***

Response: ***Glory to you, O Lord!***

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

²⁶"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. ⁴But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. "I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he

comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. ¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.

¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

"The Gospel of our Lord"

Response: ***Praise to you, O Christ***



Announcements



May 18 & 19, 2024

This weekend's radio broadcast is sponsored by Ray Schmidt in memory of his father Elgin Schmidt.

This broadcast will air @ 11am on 101.7FM & 1400AM. Local Cable TV 10am Wednesdays and 5pm Thursdays; Spectrum 180 & Bluepeak 17

First Lutheran Worship Schedule

Saturday 5:30pm Sundays 9:00am

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Thank you for serving!	Saturday, May 18 at 5:30pm	Sunday, May 19 at 9:00am
Acolytes	Leo Swenson	Morgan Rokeh Brielle Czeck
Greeters & Ushers	Tim & Judy Norum	Brad & Tricia Johns
Lectors	Gary Koosmann	Mark Schwanebeck
Music	Susan Jones	Susan Jones
Communion Assistants	Marlene Nordby	Peg Anderson Janet Landby
Coffee Servers		Myhrbergs
Video & Audio	Steve Hamner & Ed Henning	Steve Hamner & Ed Henning
Projection	Shelly Maes	Dan Marks
Altar Guild	Pam Gladis, Heather Purrington, Amber Swenson	

Sunday, May 19

9:00am Worship Service
5:30pm VBS All Staff Meeting

Monday, May 20

Parish Visitor articles due
6:30pm Beginning Experience
7:00pm Investment Meeting

Tuesday, May 21

9:00am Senior Coffee
5:30pm Outreach Meeting
6:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
6:00pm Youth Committee Meeting
6:15pm Education Committee Meeting
6:30pm Worship & Music Comm. Meeting
7:00pm Church Council

Wednesday, May 22

6:30am Women's Bible Study
7:00am Men's Bible Study @ Perkins
9:00am Staff Meeting
6:30pm Canva Painting Party
7:00pm Centennial Meeting

Thursday, May 23

1:00pm Peace by Piece Quilters

Friday, May 24

7:00am Grub Club @ McDonalds (Last Day)
11am Boulder Creek Worship Service (Pr. Quist)

Saturday, May 25

5:30pm Worship Service

Sunday, May 26

9:00am Worship Service

Canvas and Cookies! Join us on Wednesday, May 22 from 6:30-8:30pm, and bring a friend, as we enjoy an evening together. For \$35 per person, you can find your "inner Bob Ross"! Our own, Kayla Padfield, will guide us as we create our own masterpieces. All are welcome! Spread the word! Deadline to sign up is Wednesday May 8.

Red Cross Blood Drive will be at First Lutheran Church on Thursday, May 30 from 12pm - 6pm in the Narthex. Please call 800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: MarshallMN to schedule an appointment. Give hope this spring. Give blood.

Summer Office Hours: Church office hours will change for the summer (June through August) as follows: Monday - Thursday from 9am to 1pm. You will find staff members at the church at other times, too, and you may reach them via phone, text or email if you need.

The Summer Women's Bible Study will be held in the Narthex on the 2nd Tuesday of the summer months in June, July and August at 12:00pm. Feel free to bring your own lunch if you wish.



Join us for the 2024 First Lutheran VBS: Stella! on Sunday, June 2 - Wednesday June 5 from 4:00-7:15pm. 15\$ per child. Kids will be discovering stories, crafts, music, games and more with their crews. Supper is provided! Parents and adults, please consider helping as a volunteer! Handouts and a QR Code can be found in the Narthex! Please reach out to Sam at samantha@1stlutheran.org if you have any questions.

Prayer List:

~ Prayer list will be updated every Tuesday ~

Sierra Waege (granddaughter of Dorothy and Harlen Barck), Dorwin Swenson (father of Jason Swenson), Jane Linder (mother of Penny Sommervold), John Thooft, Matt Moen (nephew of Sharon Miller), John Lund, Neil Peterson (father of Jason Peterson), Carrie Sueker, Jim Ray (Steve & Karen Meister's daughter-in-law's father), Amber Poppen (friend of Terri Wiblemo), Marquita Banks, Perry Banks, Brandon Athen, Mary Lou Lange (mother of Holly Sorum), Kaitlyn Mason (granddaughter of Russ & Dorrine Berg and niece of Pastor Bruce Berg)

*Prayers and sympathies to Russ Sanow and family on the death of his brother.

A Note from Pastor Sara

Last week I informed you of my resignation from the staff of First Lutheran Church (FLC), a 30-day notice, as requested. I did so with both sadness and surprise!

As an interim pastor, I start conversation with the synod office once the Call Committee is in place at my church. It just happened that my interview process went more quickly than normal, and I now head back to the Minneapolis Area Synod.

My time with you has been an engaging and rewarding seven months, and what an honor to serve with your talented staff and faithful leaders. My next interim congregation is in Maple Grove, another congregation whose long-term pastor just retired. I will begin there in late June, after some time with my family and a few projects at home. My last weekend at FLC will be June 8-9.

As my departure unfolds and the Call Process for a Senior Pastor intensifies, stay tuned for updates from your leaders, especially via our worship announcements and congregational emails. Let us trust the wisdom and timing of the Spirit!

With gratitude and prayers of thanks,
Pastor Sara