

SUNDAY  
SEPTEMBER 12

# ACTS 2:1-17

Ready to ***\*IGNITE\**** your faith?

Ready to ***\*SPARK\**** a renewal?

Worship with us this fall and...

 **REVIVE**



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

INSPIRE. EQUIP. REACH.

**WELCOME!** If your life has been a moral victory or a scarlet letter...  
**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 and 6 p.m. Wednesdays 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 January 12, 2022. 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.*

**September 12, 2021: Celebration Worship**  
**REVIVE**

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**OPENING SONG:** *Battle Belongs*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**SONG:** *Jesus Loves Me*

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS:**

*Dear Lord,*

*I need to confess the many idols I cling to for support and identity. I'm addicted to my job and seek esteem from accomplishments and long hours. I seek praise from Facebook and social media instead of being rooted in your identity. I seek warmth and comfort from a bottle, or computer, or a mall, rather than rely on your love and forgiveness. Most of all I confess my selfish ego that craves control and to be noticed. Lord, I confess and surrender my false sense of identity in the world. Remake me in your image, more whole and complete. Amen.*

**QUIET TIME**

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 2:1-17

**SONG:** *Holy Spirit*

**MESSAGE:** Pastor Marty Tollefson

**SONG:** *Go Light Your World*

**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.*

**CELEBRATION OF HOLY BAPTISM:**

(9 a.m.)

*Cohen Robert Krabbenhoft,*  
son of Brittany and Chris Krabbenhoft

(10:30 a.m.)

*Declan Richard Lien,*  
son of Sara and Cody Lien

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT:**

*Gideons International,*  
Gregg Webster

**PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE /  
LORD'S PRAYER**

**BLESSING/BENEDICTION**

**SENDING SONG:** *Rise*

L: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**



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a renewal?

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**Face to Face Text Studies**

*Thursdays • beg. Sept. 16 • online*

**The Great Awakening!**

**Large Group Bible Study**

*Wednesdays • beg. Sept. 15 • Adult Ed*

**Prayer Practices**

*Thursdays • beg. Sept. 16 • Luther Room*

**Walking Prayer Marathon**

*Sunday • Sept. 19 • start at FLC*

**Jonah: Women's Study**

*Tuesdays • beg. Sept. 21 • Adult Ed*

*Thursdays • beg. Sept. 23 • Fellowship Hall*

**Freedom Fighters**

*Sunday • Sept. 26 • Rollie's House*

**Lunch Packing**

**Service Opportunity**

*2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays • Great Hall*

*For more information on all  
Firestarter Events, visit [flcfargo.org](http://flcfargo.org).*

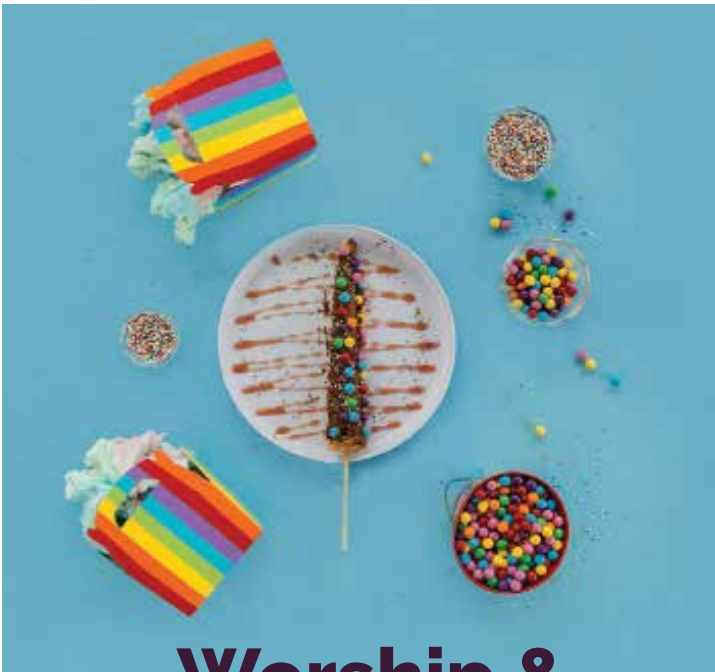
*How will you join the Revival?*



**REVIVE**



# RALLY SUNDAY SEPT. 12



## Worship & Waffles!

Come back to church! Worship with us!  
Bring the kids for Sunday School!

On *Rally Sunday, September 12*, enjoy a special treat: Windsor Waffles will be in *Great Hall, 8:30-11 a.m.* serving their famous waffles on a stick. Several delicious varieties will be available.

Also, for every photo of you, your family, and your friends eating waffles tagged with the hashtag **#worship&waffles** on social media, a \$1 donation will be made to Great Plains Food Bank!



**Windsor  
Waffles**



## First in Mission Lunch-Packing

*Sunday, September 12, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.,  
The Great Hall*

Don't miss this amazing opportunity to make a difference. Lunch bag packing stations will be set up and **the goal is to pack over 750 lunches for individuals in our community** who are experiencing food insecurity. Lunches will be delivered to Churches United, Cooper House, the Gladys Ray Veterans Shelter, Graver Inn Apartments, Myrt Armstrong Center, New Life Center, YWCA Cass Clay Emergency Shelter, and a few more pending locations.

Please join us in this congregation-wide outreach opportunity to make a maximal difference with a minimal commitment of time.

No pre-registration necessary!

Questions?  
Polly Kloster  
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## Silent Retreat: Exploring Life's Seasons

Friday-Sunday, November 19-21, Mount Carmel/Alexandria, MN, \$225, register at [flcfargo.org](http://flcfargo.org) (9 spots available), led by Shelly Erickson, Spiritual Director at FLC

To guarantee a spot at this retreat, register by September 23

*"For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven." Ecclesiastes 3*

What season might you be in? Treat yourself by retreating into a time of holy silence and discover God in all the seasons of life. We will begin silence after Friday's evening reflection and end Sunday mid-morning with communion. Spiritual direction one-on-one time with Shelly will be available if desired.

Delicious meals will be provided, and participants will have their own room/bathroom in the lodge. Mount Carmel's beautiful grounds (lake, woods, paths) will be available as well as the chapel, library and dining room, offering beautiful spaces and open places to simply "be" in God's creation.

Questions? Shelly Erickson, [serickson@flcfargo.org](mailto:serickson@flcfargo.org)

## Walking Prayer Marathon

Sunday, September 19, 2-4 p.m. Meet at FLC, Gathering Space

First Lutheran will hold its first annual Prayer Marathon. We will draw a circle, a walking route, around First Lutheran, our neighborhood, and the businesses of our downtown area. We will provide you with maps, walking routes, prayer ideas, Bible readings, and send you forth to walk and pray for others! Walk with a group, or make the journey at your own pace, in your own time. If you are unable to walk, we will have our worship spaces open for those who would like to come, sit, and pray knowing that God is God.

All are welcome to participate in this Prayer Marathon and to experience the power of prayer!

## Contemplative Prayer Practices

Thursdays, September 16 - November 18, 12 noon, Luther Room, register at [flcfargo.org](http://flcfargo.org)

Contemplative prayer practices help maintain a posture of heart in which we are moved and motivated by the Spirit, and they provide the space to notice what is going on in our interiors. Each practice is characterized by some amount of stillness, silence, and solitude.

Shelly Erickson will introduce and lead three contemplative prayer sessions.

**September: Introduction to Imaginative Prayer**

**October: Introduction to Lectio Divina**

**November: Introduction to Centering Prayer**

Questions?  
Shelly Erickson,  
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*It's Bible time!  
You're invited to...*



An event to  
**\*IGNITE\***  
your revival!



# WALK THRU THE BIBLE®

*Sunday, September 19*

*10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.*

*Great Hall (lunch provided)*

*Register at [flcfargo.org](http://flcfargo.org) ...or scan the QR code >*



*Free for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders and immediate family members/adult chaperone, or \$10 for extended family members, FLC parishioners, and general public.*

Experience an event that unveils God's Word as you've never known it before. As you walk thru the Old Testament, you'll realize that the Bible is coming to life and your knowledge of its people, places, and themes is rapidly increasing. In just a few short hours, you'll see the big picture better than some who have studied for years. Like many others, you may walk away saying, "I never understood the Bible

like this before!" Most of all, you'll develop a deeper connection with the God who wants you to know Him and will never stop pursuing your heart. The more you understand His story, the more you'll realize it's your story too. And the more you realize it's your story, the more His words will change your life.

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders will receive their Bibles during this faith building milestone program.

## NEWS & EVENTS

**Visit our website for more detailed information and to register, [flcfargo.org](http://flcfargo.org).**

### REVIVE!

Ignite your faith. Spark your renewal. Worship with us this fall... and *revive!*

Ministry programming is back in full swing following summer break. Christian education classes, Bible studies, adult and children choir rehearsals, and ministry service groups resume meetings throughout September.

Check out featured Firestarter events in the bulletin inserts and visit our website ([flcfargo.org](http://flcfargo.org)) for more information, calendar, and registrations.

### BIBLE STUDIES - ALL ARE WELCOME

- Coffee & Conversation, Sundays, 10:15 a.m., beginning September 12
- Men's Bible Studies, Tuesdays, 7 a.m. and 7:15 p.m. (*7:15 p.m. study begins September 21*)
- Women's Study: "Jonah," Tuesdays noon or Thursdays 7 p.m., beginning September 21/23
- Large Group Bible Study: "The Great Awakening," Wednesdays, 11 a.m. or 7 p.m., beginning September 15
- Abigail Circle Bible Study, second Wednesday of each month, 9:30 a.m.
- Independent Bible Study, Thursdays, noon, new study on the book of Romans begins September 16

(*For noon studies, bring your own lunch.*)

### JOIN THE FLC TEAM!

First Lutheran's staff members are some of the most enthusiastic and dedicated folks, glorifying God through their skills and passions. We have two current opportunities: **church administrator** and **full-time custodian**.

Learn more about the job opportunities by viewing job descriptions and application instructions at [flcfargo.org](http://flcfargo.org) >> quick links bar 'Connect.' Questions?: contact Pastor Marty, [mtollefson@flcfargo.org](mailto:mtollefson@flcfargo.org).

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### OFFICE HOURS / WELCOME DESK:

**MON, TUES, THURS 8 a.m.—5 p.m.**

**WED 8 a.m.—7 p.m.** (*beginning September 15*)

**FRI: 8 a.m.—12 p.m.**

**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: *Paul Hulberg, James Tjon, Dick Levenson, Bev Hoff, Goodwin Hoff, Jeny Runsvold, Phyllis Peeples, Doug Aaseby, Judy Loewen, Susan Syverson, LaVern Hoganson, Gary Helland, Marianne Reif, Suzanne Spiese, Brenda Cummins, Wes Briggs, Pam Burley, Evie Keogh, Henry Keogh, Kay, George, Connie, Diane, Steve, and David.*

The sympathy and prayers of First Lutheran are offered to the family and friends of **Steven Street**; and **Lorna Moss**, mother of Adrienne Wickenheiser.

## FLOWERS & RADIO

Flowers on the organ today are given in loving memory of **Gerald Fogderud**, whose funeral was held at First Lutheran on September 12, 1996, from Iris, Marla, Naomi, Andrea, and Laura.

Today's radio broadcast is given in loving memory of **Arvid Friskop**, from LaMae.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Kids are an important part of FLC! Christian Ed classes run September-May for 3-year old through high school. Classes begin September 12/15.

- **Nursery** (0-5 yrs): Open during worship
- **Kids at First** (age 3-4th grade): Sundays at 9 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
- **56ers** (5-6th grade): Sundays at 9 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
- **Confirmation/Servant Leadership Academy** (7-8th grade): Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
- **Amplify - High School Youth Group** (9-12th grade): Sundays at 7 p.m.

## YOUR MINISTRY TEAM

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## THIS WEEK

### Sunday, September 12

- 9 a.m. Traditional worship, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. Contemporary worship, Celebration Center
- 9 a.m. Kids at First classes, Lower Level
- 9 a.m. 56ers classes, CrossTalk Cafe
- 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Great Hall
- 10:15 a.m. Coffee & Conversation, Adult Ed Room
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary worship, Celebration Center
- 12:30 p.m. Open Doors For All Nations Worship, CrossTalk Café
- 7 p.m. Amplify - High School Youth Group

### Monday, September 13

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

### Tuesday, September 14

- 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Adult Ed Room
- 1 p.m. Knit & Crochet Group, Gathering Place
- 6 p.m. Tae Kwon Do, Gym

### Wednesday, September 15

- 11 a.m. *Great Awakening* Bible Study, Adult Ed Room
- 12:45 p.m. Organ Recital by Michael Olson, Sanctuary
- 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Fellowship, Chapel/Great Hall
- 2:15 p.m. Blood Pressure Screenings, Health Consultation Room (by the nursery)
- 5-5:45 p.m. Wednesday Supper, Great Hall
- 5:30 p.m. Crusader Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 6 p.m. Wednesday Night Worship, Celebration Center
- 6 p.m. Kids at First classes, Lower Level
- 6 p.m. 56ers classes, CrossTalk Cafe
- 7 p.m. 7th-8th Grade Confirmation Class, Great Hall
- 7 p.m. *Great Awakening* Bible Study, Adult Ed Room
- 7 p.m. Cathedral Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

### Thursday, September 16

- 10:15 a.m. Worship at Bethany on University
- 12 p.m. Contemplative Prayer Practices, Luther Room
- 12 p.m. Foundation Board Meeting, Adult Ed Room
- 12 p.m. Small Group Bible Study, CrossTalk Rm #2
- 7:15 p.m. Heavenly Bells Rehearsal, Celebration Center

### Friday, September 17

- 12 p.m. Church/Church Office Closed
- 4 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal for Peou/Froning, Celebration Center

### Saturday, September 18

- 9 a.m. FLC Orchestra Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 3 p.m. Wedding of Brenda Peou and J.T. Froning, Celebration Center

### Sunday, September 19

- 9 a.m. Traditional worship, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. Contemporary worship, Celebration Center
- 9 a.m. Kids at First classes, Lower Level
- 9 a.m. 56ers classes, CrossTalk Cafe
- 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Gathering Place
- 10:15 a.m. Coffee & Conversation, Adult Ed Room
- 10:30 a.m. *Walk Thru the Bible*, Great Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary worship, Celebration Center
- 12:30 p.m. Open Doors For All Nations Worship, CrossTalk Café
- 4:45 p.m. Salvation Army Supper, 304 Roberts St N
- 7 p.m. Amplify - High School Youth Group, CrossTalk Cafe

## SUPPORT FLC MINISTRIES

- **Online Giving:** [flcfargo.org](http://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 N, Fargo, ND 58102
- **Scan to Give:** Scan the QR code shown below



## NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

Sunday, September 19: Ephesians 6:18-20; Matthew 7:7-12.

## CELEBRATE BAPTISM

Today we celebrate the baptisms of **Cohen Krabbenhoft**, son of Brittany and Chris Krabbenhoft; **Declan Lien**, son of Sara and Cody Lien; and **Wesley Klath**, son of Jennifer and Travis Klath.

## BROADCAST SCHEDULE

- **Online:** Sundays 9 & 10:30 a.m., [flcfargo.org](http://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 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., Thursdays 2 a.m. and 10 a.m., Fridays 10 a.m. (channels Midco 99, Sparklight 69).