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MARK 4:35-41, ISA. 43:1-4

FACE to FACE



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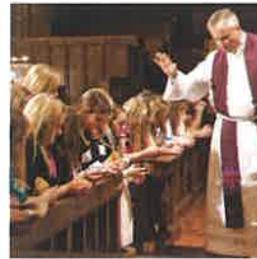
WELCOME! If your life has been a moral victory or a scarlet letter...
WELCOME. We are just glad you are here.

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 Watch for details in the upcoming weeks about resuming serving Holy Communion. Serving practices are being studied to provide a safe, no-contact process as we work our way through the

COVID-19 environment.

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 Sanctuary]



CONNECTING We would love to get to know you better. Peruse our website for ways to connect through service, study, or community-building events.



Celebration Worship uses a praise band and the order of worship and song lyrics are projected on the wall. [9 & 11 a.m. Sundays in the New 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.*

Please join us in The Great Hall 10-11 a.m. on Sundays for coffee, cookies, and conversation.



BELONGING If you would like to call FLC your church home, come to our "Belong" class. Contact Marty Tollefson at mtollefson@flcfargo.org or 701.235.7389 for more information. Our next Belong! class will be held in September.

August 9, 2020: Face to Face

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Message	Pr. Marty Tollefson
Assisting Pastor	Pr. Stephanie Tollefson
Music Minister	Michael Olson
Cantor	Naomi Wawers

PRELUDE

“Arioso” — J.S. Bach
Michael Olson, organist

WELCOME and 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: 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: Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor,
let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence for reflection

P: God of mercy,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us ✠ all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross.

For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news!

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
 2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in

rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
 dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
 dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we
 calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we
 give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

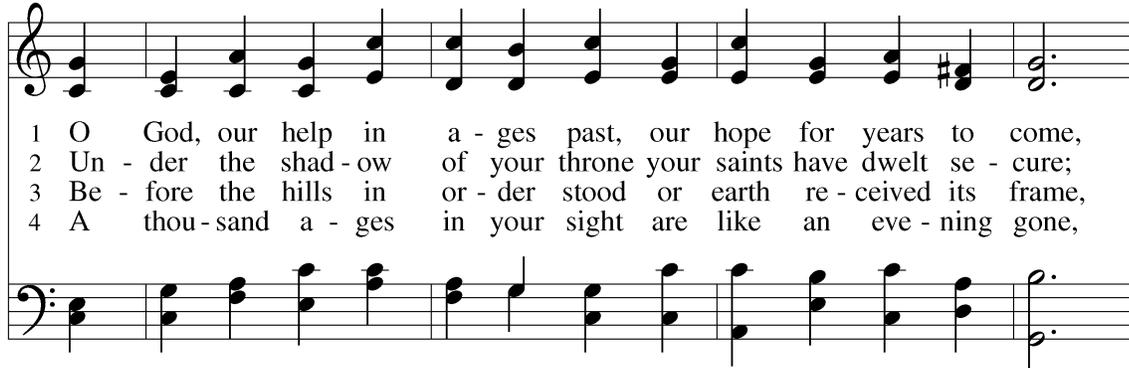
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

(please be seated)

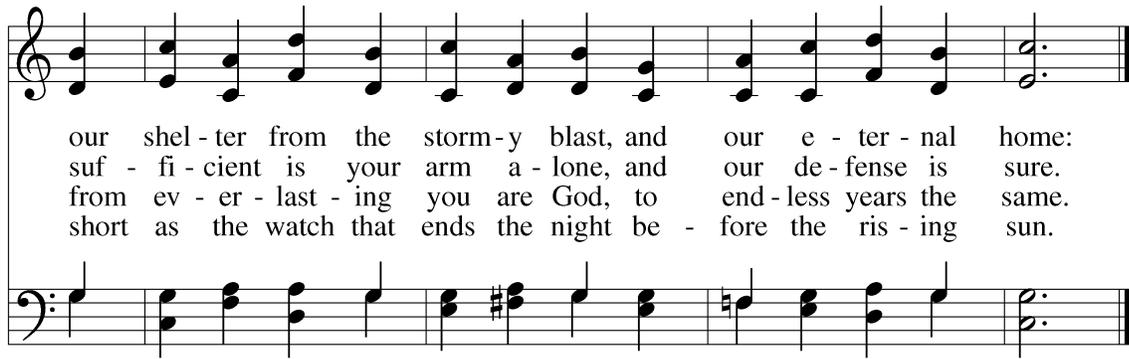
SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 4:35-41, Isaiah 43: 1-4

MESSAGE: Pr. Marty Tollefson

HYMN OF THE DAY O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
soon bears us all away;
we fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

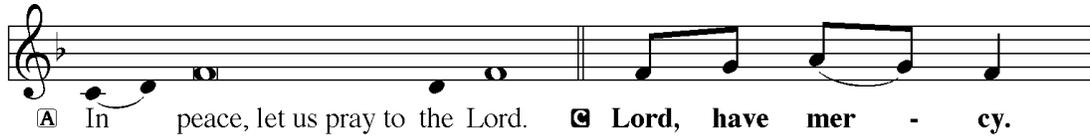
P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

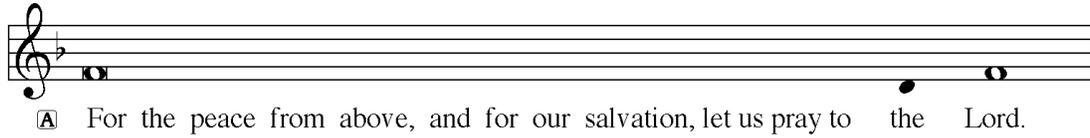
P: Let us pray. O God our defender,

C: storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

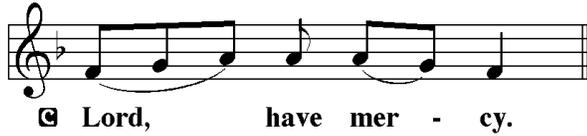
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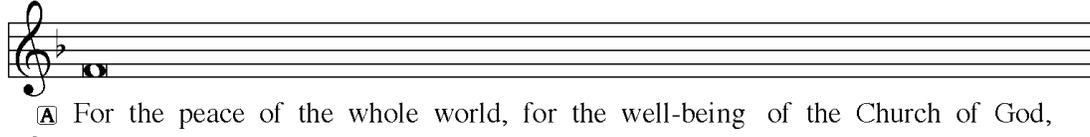
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



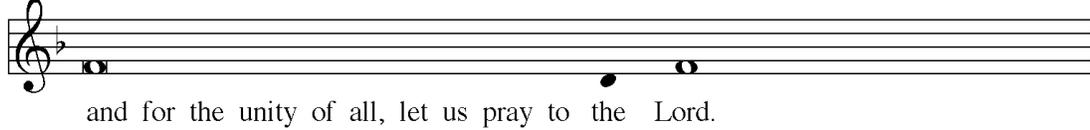
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



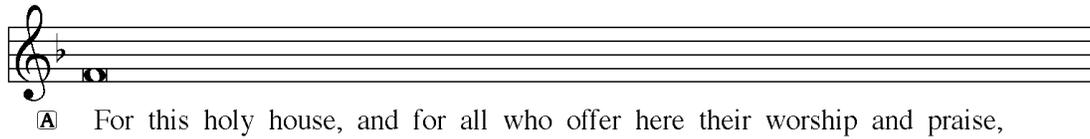
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



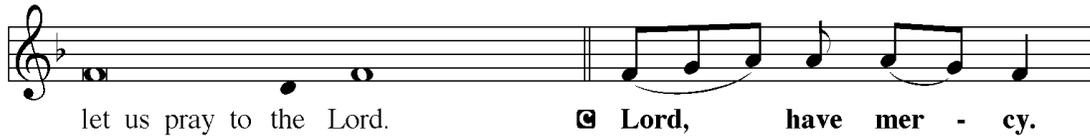
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



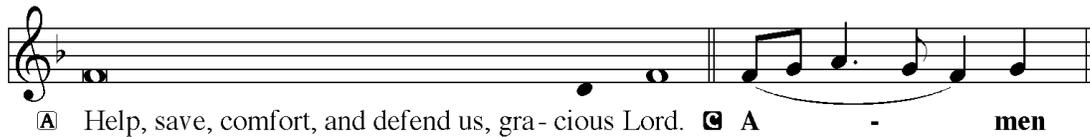
C Lord, have mer - cy.



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

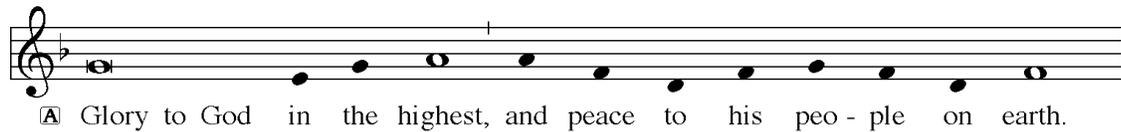


let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



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

HYMN OF PRAISE



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



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.**

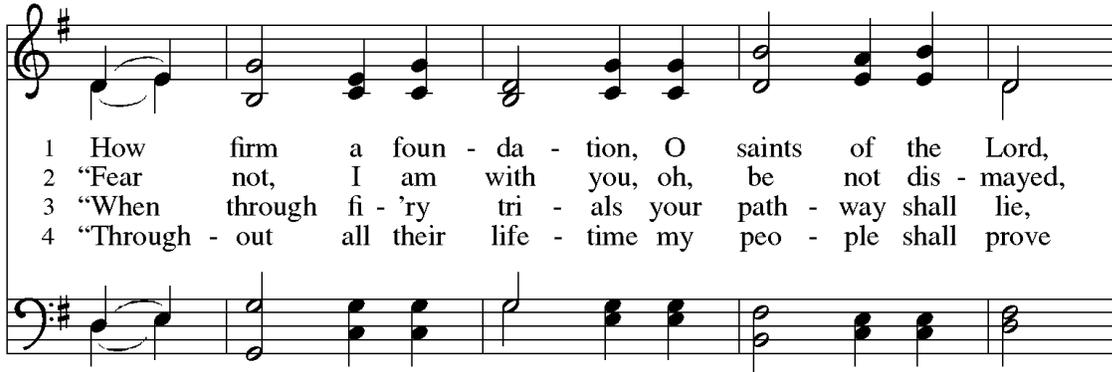
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**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)

HYMN

How Firm a Foundation



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,
3 "When through fi - 'ry tri - als your path - way shall lie,
4 "Through - out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove



is laid for your faith in Christ Je - sus, the Word!
for I am your God and will still give you aid;
my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.
my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can he say than to you he has said
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,



who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."
your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."
like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne."

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

MUSICAL MEDITATION/OFFERING

"Be Not Afriad" — arr. Jack Schrader
Naomi Waswers, vocalist; Michael Olson, accompanist

OFFERING OPTIONS

Thank you for your new or continued generosity towards God's mission at First Lutheran Church. Out of concern for safety, we will not pass the offering plate during worship but will have baskets available at each exit where you can leave your offering.

We also have a number of digital, no contact ways to give.
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

LORD'S PRAYER *(sung by the congregation)*

**Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

BENEDICTION & THREEFOLD AMEN *(please stand as you are able)*

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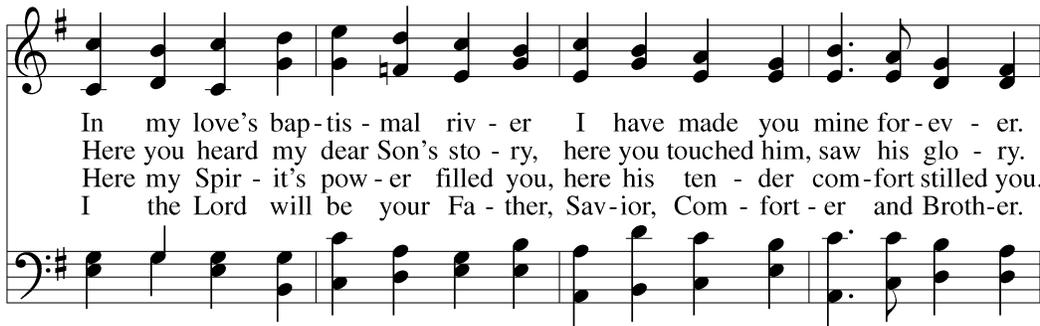
CLOSING HYMN Go, My Children, With My Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.
4 "I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.
I the Lord will smile up - on you, and give you peace.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here his ten - der com - fort stilled you.
I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er and Broth - er.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."
Go, my chil - dren, I will keep you, and give you peace."

DISMISSAL *(please exit row by row to avoid close contact)*

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C:** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Adagio" — John Stanley
Michael Olson, organist



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WORLD RELIEF

Help Us Fill 100+ — KITS —

This fall, First Lutheran will support Lutheran World Relief's School Kit ministry by providing school supply kits to children and adults in need. We invite you to

shop now

for the best back-to-school deals **in August** to help fill as many kits as FLC can! Please drop off the supplies after Labor Day to help us prepare for the packing!

Items to buy for kits:

- 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper
- 30-centimeter rulers, or with centimeters & inches
- pencil sharpeners
- scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades)
- #2 pencils with erasers
- black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- crayons (16 or 24 count)
- 2 ½" erasers

Visit lwr.org/schoolkits for details.

Questions? Contact **Pastor Stephanie**:
701.235.7389 or stollefson@flcfargo.org



NEWS&EVENTS

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

Annual Meeting 2020

Last Sunday, August 2, First Lutheran held its 2020 Annual Meeting at 10 a.m. in The Great Hall.

More than 115 eligible voting members attended providing a quorum for the meeting. The meeting was led by Council President Gary Inman.

- Church Council nominees Matthew Frisk and Gary Haugo were elected to serve on the Church Council. Thank you to out-going Council members Kathy Helming and Loren Stahl for their service the past six years.
- Nominating Committee nominees John Benson and Emily Hatch were elected to the Nominating Committee.
- The proposed fiscal 2020/2021 budget was reviewed and approved.

If you were unable to attend, copies of the Annual Report are available at the Welcome Desk. A digital copy will also be available on our website, flcfargo.org. Thank you for your interest and participation in the governance of our ministries.

Face to Face: Summer Sermon Series

Physical distance. Isolation. Uncertainty. Loneliness. Virtual reality. Church scattered.

Our desire, as Christians, is to continually seek the face of God. This summer, follow our worship series as we look at biblical and everyday encounters with the living God, no matter the circumstances.

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SUMMER OFFICE HOURS / WELCOME DESK:

MON-THURS 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

FRI 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

SUN 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Wi-Fi: FLCGuest, password: FirstLutheran619

CELEBRATEPRAYER

Our Prayer Partners meet every Tuesday morning at 9 a.m. and the staff gathers daily for prayer at 10 a.m. in the Chapel. The following have asked to be prayed for publicly: *Betty Mausbach-Jevne, Wes Briggs, Lisa Kunkel, Lona Binder-Hermanson, Gail Zimprich, Kathy Otheim, Char Maas, Delores Brynjulson, Jim Frisk, Ann Brown, Steve Brown, and Archie.*

The sympathy and prayers of First Lutheran are offered to the family and friends of **Oscar Nelson; Pastor John Mehl; Odin Dahl**, husband of Sandi; **Tom Edmunds**, husband of Jordana, father of Isaiah, Milo, Tobias, Ryker, and Eva; and **Donna Zimmerman**, mother of Cari Frisk.

CHRISTIANEDUCATION

Kids are an important part of FLC! Christian Ed classes run September-May for 3-year olds through high school.

Due to the COVID-19 environment, summer programming has been cancelled (i.e., camps, VBS). Enjoy the summer break! Watch for upcoming communications about plans for fall classes.

The Little Gifts Nursery will remain closed until further notice.

YOURMINISTRYTEAM

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Sindy Keller, Vice President 701.238.2088
Treasurer & Secretary to be named August 21

THISWEEK

Sunday, Aug 9

- 9 a.m. **Traditional Worship**, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. **Traditional Worship Online**
- 9 a.m. **Contemporary Worship**, New Celebration Center
- 10 a.m. **Coffee Fellowship**, The Great Hall
- 11 a.m. **Contemporary Worship**, New Celebration Center
- 11 a.m. **Contemporary Worship Online**

Monday, Aug 10

No Scheduled Activities

Tuesday, Aug 11

- 7 a.m. **Men's Bible Study**, Adult Ed Room
- 9 a.m. **Prayer Partners Meeting**, Heritage Room

Wednesday, Aug 12

- 12:45 p.m. **Organ Recital by Michael Olson**, Sanctuary
- 1:30 p.m. **Wednesday Fellowship**,
Sanctuary/The Great Hall
- 6 p.m. **Wednesday Worship Online**

Thursday, Aug 13

- 7 a.m. **Global Missions Meeting**

Friday, Aug 14

- 12 p.m. **Church/Church Office Closes**

Saturday, Aug 15

Eastern ND Synod Assembly (online)

Sunday, Aug 16

- Eastern ND Synod Assembly (online)**
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CELEBRATEBAPTISM

Today we celebrate the baptism of **Rhett Harrison**, son of Allison and Shaun Harrison.

FLOWERS

The altar flowers today are given in memory of **Gary Burggraft**, whose birthday would have been August 14, from Emily.

WORSHIPNOTES

BROADCASTMINISTRY

- **Online:** Sundays 9 & 11 a.m., Wednesdays 6 p.m.; flcfargo.org and Facebook.
- **Radio:** Sundays 9 a.m., 970 AM and 93.1 FM.
- **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).

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