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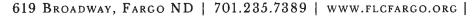








MARK 4:35-41, ISA. 43:1-4





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.

WORSHIP We believe that all instruments, all voices and all people should praise the Lord. We do not worship a "style," we worship Jesus.

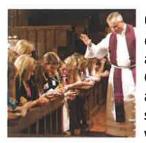


Traditional Worship follows a liturgy and the music centers around the organ and piano. The order of worship is inserted into the bulletin. [9 a.m. Sundays in the Sanctuary on the north end of the church; 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Sanctuary]



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]

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



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.



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



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

August 9, 2020: Celebration Worship Face to Face: Facing Fear & Uncertainty

WELCOME

OPENING SONG: God of All My Days

CELEBRATION OF HOLY BAPTISM: (11 a.m.)

Rhett James Harrison, son of Allison and Shaun Harrison

QUIET TIME

LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSPIRATION:

God did not give us a spirit that makes us afraid, but a spirit of <u>power</u> and <u>love</u> and <u>self-discipline</u>. 2 Timothy 1:7

Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, and you are mine! When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned. For I am the Lord your God. Isaiah 43:1-2

I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, I will not leave you.

Genesis 28:15

Even though I am nervous, anxious and afraid, I acknowledge and own my fears, and choose to allow God to see me through this.

Fear knocked at the door, Faith answered. And lo... no one was there.

Every tomorrow has two handles. We can take hold of it by the handle of **anxiety**, or by the handle of **faith**. Feed your faith and your fears will starve to death.

Faith isn't the ability to believe long and far into the misty future. It's simply taking God at his word and **taking the next step**. Joni Erickson Tada

VIDEO: Fear

SONG: Through All Of It

SCRIPTURE:

Mark 4:35-41 Isaiah 43:1-4

MESSAGE: Pastor Marty Tollefson

MUSICAL MEDITATION/OFFERING:

Hold On To Jesus

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."

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

BLESSING/BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG: Survivor

L: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

DISMISSAL:

(Please exit row by row to avoid close contact)



Help US SCHOOL 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- orcollege-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)
- -2½" 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.

- <u>Church Council nominees</u> 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 futher notice.

YOUR**ministry**team

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Pr. Laurie Neill
Pr. Stephanie Tollefson
Pr. Marty Tollefson
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Council Officers:

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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

Men's Bible Study, Adult Ed Room 7 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

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11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Online

CELEBRATE**BAPTISM**

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 Burggraff, 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).

SUPPORT FIRST LUTHERAN MINISTRIES:

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



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