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## FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

**WELCOME!** Rich or poor... Satisfied or hungry... Liberal or conservative... Traditional or contemporary... Casual or formal... **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; 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Sanctuary on the north end of the church.]



**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 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 is planned for this spring (date TBD). Contact the church office for details.



**COMMUNION** The sacrament of Communion is celebrated at all services the first and third Sundays of each month; and at all Wednesday services during Lent. 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.



**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.

#### March 7, 2021: Celebration Worship Live, Love, and Lead Like Jesus

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS	<b>OFFERING:</b> 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	
OPENING PRAYER		
SONG: Who You Say I Am	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.	
SONG: In My Place	SONG: God with Us	
<b>CONFESSION &amp; FORGIVENESS:</b>		
Dear Heavenly Father,	WORDS OF PROMISE	
We lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things we ask your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts	LORD'S PRAYER	
	COMMUNION/SONG: Lord, I Need You	
so we may witness You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us	PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE	
to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth. Amen.	BLESSING/BENEDICTION	
QUIET TIME	SENDING SONG: Remind Me Who I Am	
SONG: In My Place (refrain)	L: Go in peace and serve the Lord. <b>C: Thanks be to God!</b>	
SCRIPTURE: John 8:31-38		
MESSAGE: Rollie Johnson		

Worship has ended. Now service begins.



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Featured movie: Monsters Inc. Kids 1st - 4th grade Friday, March 12, Great Hall drop off 5:30-6 p.m., pickup at 8 p.m. sharp

Are you afraid of the dark? What monsters lurk there? Bring your pillow/blankets and munch on popcorn and pizza as we watch this delightful Disney movie about monsters. Sully is one of the top scarers at Monsters Inc., but he and his best friend Mike Wazowski meet their match in Boo, a little girl from the human world. She boldly goes where no human has gone before!



## **Congregational Survey**



We invite you to participate in a congregational assessment for First Lutheran. A link to the online survey will be emailed to you and your family. The survey link will be open for your resonse between *March 5-28*. All responses will be anonymous.

If you do not receive the email, send a message to *info@flcfargo.org*.

If you'd prefer a paper copy, it is available upon request at the front desk.





## Calling All Closet Cleaners and Miracle Makers...



First Lutheran is partnering with Lutheran World Relief to make baby care kits to provide the basics to families in need. We invite you to participate!

Visit **lwr.org/babycarekits** for more information on kit items and instructions for making cloth diapers from flannel or cotton t-shirts.

Donations can be dropped off at the church Welcome Desk now through Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9.

#### Kit items include

- » Lightweight cotton t-shirts (no onesies)
- » Long or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- » Receiving blankets; cloth diapers (flat fold preferred)
- » Jackets, sweaters, or sweatshirts with a hood
- » Socks
- » Hand towels (dark color recommended)
- » Bath-size bars of gentle soap
- » Diaper pins
- » Gently-used cloth diapers

**Questions?** Contact Pr. Stephanie Tollefson, stollefson@flcfargo.org, or 701.235.7389.

#### **NEWS&EVENTS**

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

#### Lent 2021: Learning to Walk in the Dark

"... If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you." Psalm 139:7-12

This Lenten season, we will be learning what it means to walk in the dark. Join us through worship, book study, and other events to explore the mysteries of darkness.

In-person worship: Wednesdays, February 24-March 24

- 1:30 p.m., Wednesday Fellowship, Sanctuary
- 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary
- 6 p.m., Celebration Center

Online Lenten worship: Wednesdays, February 24-March 24

• 5:30 p.m., flcfargo.org and Facebook

#### Lenten book studies:

During Lent we are reading Barbara Brown Taylor's book *Learning* to Walk in the Dark. Register for a book study at flcfargo.org or at the church office.

In-person Adult Book Study:

- Tuesdays, 11 a.m., Fellowship Hall
- Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Online Women's Book Study:

- Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m., Zoom meeting
- Thursdays, 7 p.m., Zoom meeting

<u>Kids' Movie Night Out—Parents Date Night</u> Friday, March 12, drop-off 5:30-6 p.m., pick-up 8 p.m. For kids grades 1-4 Featured movie: Disney/Pixar's Monsters Inc. Bring your own pillow/blanket. Popcorn and pizza treats served!

CHURCH OFFICE: 701.235.7389, info@flcfargo.org

OFFICE HOURS / WELCOME DESK: MON, TUES, WEDS, THURS 8 a.m.—5 p.m. FRI: 8 a.m.—12 p.m. SUN 8:30 a.m.—12 p.m.

Wi-Fi: FLCGuest, password: FirstLutheran619

#### **CELEBRATEPRAYER**

We as God's people believe in the power of prayer. Please pray for the following who have asked to be prayed for publicly:

Brenda Cummins, Amy Carey, Jim Frisk, Gail Zimprich, Julie Anderson, Janice Ames, Pam Burley, Dan and Janna Westerholm, Marilyn Parker, Betty Wilson, Liz Gibb, Annette Ward-Reddick, Barb Orvedal, LaVern Hoganson, Roger Hansen, Marlene Young, Wes Briggs, Sean Overdahl, Doug Aseby, and George.

The sympathy and prayers of First Lutheran are offered to the family and friends of **Nancy Erickson**, mother of Jennifer Dahl and Allan Erickson; and **William Sell**.

#### RADIO

The radio broadcast today is given in memory of John and Berniece Lavik, from Bev and Al Nielsen.

#### **CHRISTIAN**EDUCATION

Kids are an important part of FLC! In-person classes will resume in Fall 2021. Online classes and at home resources will continue through the school year. <u>Nursery (0-5 yrs):</u> Closed until further notice (COVID precaution) <u>Kids at First (age 3-4th grade):</u> FLOCK Magazine and FLOCK online resources

**56ers (5-6th grade):** on break during Lent (kids are encouraged to attend worship with their family) **Servant Leadership Academy/Confirmation** 

(7-8th grade): online Zoom, Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Youth Group (9-12th grade): Wednesdays, 8 p.m., Great Hall

#### YOUR**MINISTRY**TEAM

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#### **THISWEEK**

Sunday, March 7-	Communion Sunday	Saturda
9 a.m.	In-Person Traditional Worship, Sanctuary	
9 a.m.	Traditional Worship Online & Radio	
9 a.m.	In-Person Contemporary Worship,	Sunday
	Celebration Center	
10 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship, The Great Hall	
10:30 a.m.		
	Celebration Center	
10:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Online	
12:30 p.m.	Open Doors For All Nations Worship,	
	CrossTalk Café	
Monday, March 8		
	Quilters Ministry, Fellowship Hall	
1 p.m.	Staff Meeting, Adult Ed Room	
Tuesday, March 9		

- 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
- 9 a.m. MomTalk Steering Meeting, The Great Hall
- 11 a.m. Adult Lenten Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
- 1:30 p.m. Knit and Crochet Group, Bethany on 42nd
- 1:30 p.m. Online Women's Lenten Study, Zoom meeting
  - 6 p.m. Tae Kwon Do, Gym
  - 7 p.m. Adult Lenten Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

#### Wednesday, March 10

- 12:45 p.m. Organ Recital by Michael Olson, Sanctuary 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Fellowship, Sanctuary/Great Hall
- 5:30 p.m. Online Lenten Worship
- 5:30 p.m. In-Person Lenten Worship, Sanctuary
- 6 p.m. In-Person Lenten Worship, **Celebration Center**
- 6:30 p.m. Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal, Sanctuary/Celebration Station
  - 7 p.m. Online Confirmation/SLA Class, Zoom meeting
  - 8 p.m. High School Youth Group, The Great Hall

#### Thursday, March 11

- 7 a.m. Online Global Missions Meeting, Zoom meeting
- 8:15 a.m. Quilters Ministry, Fellowship Hall
  - 6 p.m. Face-to-Face Online Worship
  - 7 p.m. Online Women's Lenten Study, Zoom meeting

#### Friday, March 12

12 p.m. Church/Church Office Closed

5:30 p.m. Kids Movie Night, The Great Hall

#### ay, March 13

No scheduled activities

#### , March 14—Daylight Saving Time Begins

9 a.m.	In-Person Traditional Worship,
	Sanctuary
9 a.m.	Traditional Worship Online & Radio
9 a.m.	In-Person Contemporary Worship,
	Celebration Center
10 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship, The Great Hall
10:30 a.m.	In-Person Contemporary Worship,
	Celebration Center
10:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Online
12:30 p.m.	Open Doors For All Nations Worship,
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#### **BROADCAST**MINISTRY

- Online: Sundays 9 & 10:30 a.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).

#### NEXTWEEK'SSCRIPTURE

Sunday, March 14:

- Sanctuary: John 8:1-11
- Celebration: John 6:1-15

#### SUPPORT FIRST LUTHERAN MINISTRIES:

ONLINE GIVING: www.flcfargo.org (from the Quick Links banner select "Donate Now")

Text 701.354.1495 with the dollar amount you would like to give TEXT TO GIVE:

MAIL A CHECK: 619 Broadway, Fargo, ND 58102