

The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

MATTHEW 9:37-38

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Washburn, North Dakota

Sunday, June 14, 2020

9:30 AM Worship Second Sunday after Pentecost LBW Setting One Non-Communion

PRELUDE AND BELLS WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ♥ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the & Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Rick & Gwen

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: 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 mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory, Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most Hight, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

PRAYER OF THE DAY (Read in Unison)

O Lord, our God, arrange the course of this world that peace may come and your tranquil Church rejoice through greater service. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READINGExodus 19:2-8 ²{The people of Israel} set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, ³while Moses went up to God. The Lord called to him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: 4'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. 5Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; ⁶and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel." 7So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. 8All the people answered together and said, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do." And Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord.

PSALM......Psalm 100 Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

³ Know that the Lord, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him: bless his name! ⁵ For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

SECOND READINGRomans 5:6-15 ⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die — 8but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. 12Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned — 13 for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. 15But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

ALLELUIA

C: Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

¹And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. ²The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother: ³Philip and Bartholomew: Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. ⁵These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, 6but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' 8Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay." 9Acquire "Acquire no gold or silver or copper for your belts, ¹⁰no bag for your journey, or two tunics or sandals or a staff, for the laborer deserves his food. 11 And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart. ¹²As you enter the house, greet it. ¹³And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. ¹⁴And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town. ¹⁵Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town. 16Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues. 18 and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. 19When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. ²⁰For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you."

APOSTLES' CREED

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

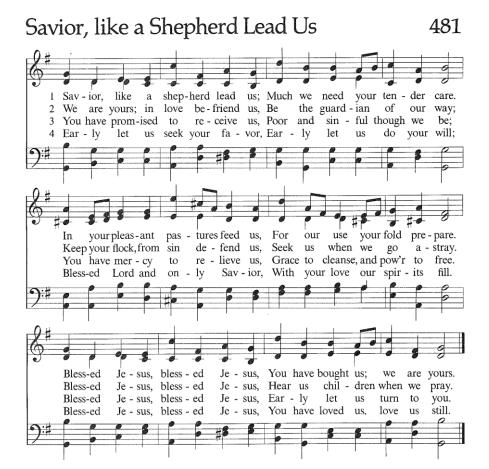
LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

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HYMN On Next Page "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"

POSTLUDE



Text: Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779–1847 Tune: Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887 HER VIL TIES 87 87 87

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Our Mission

"Working hand in hand to know Christ and make Christ known through Worship, Christian Education, Evangelism, Fellowship, Caring Ministries, and Service."

Welcome to all who have come to worship.

Dear friends in Christ, God loves you and delights to be with you – here and everywhere, today and always. Welcome.

Visitors

We welcome all visitors to First Lutheran today.

Thank you for your giving

Sunday, June 7th
General Fund & Plate Giving - \$3,410.00

Sympathy

Our sympathy goes out to:

- Kim & Brenda Ankenbauer and family on the death of Brenda's father, Gerald "Jerry" Rasmusson. Jerry's funeral was this past Wednesday at Kenmare.
- Dewey & Wanda Oster and family on the death of Wanda's brother, Kirby Johnson of Mandan. As of the printing of this bulletin funeral services were pending.

May God give the comfort in this time of sorrow.

Prayer Requests

Harold Holtz, Cindy Delmonicao – Mother to Melissa Kugler, Chris Steinbaugh – Nephew to Dennis & Gayle Johnson, Randy Hall, Diane Inmon – Cousin to Sharon Nelson, Mona Jorgenson – Mother to Carla Bickert, Elaine Renfrow – Mother to Lynette Sondrol, Mike Thyberg, Sandi Femling – Cousin to Melanie Beckman, Laren Holznagel, Sydney Haas – Cousin to Sharon Nelson, Harlow Tatum – Daughter to Brea (Gutknecht) Tatum, Taylor Gardner, Melisa Chrest, Ruth Lund – Mother to Doddie Kuntz, Derek Laning, Jacklyne Carlson, Amber Selken – Sister to Wendy Miller, Billy Gardner – Father to Matt Gardner, John Krebsbach – Brother to Peggy Wollmuth, Arlo Omoth – Brother to Jeneen Loe, Shirley Nelson, Bob Miller, Rodney Jaeger

After Worship

We ask that after the worship service today, if you don't plan to take your bulletin home with you to please throw it in the garbage can in the narthex on your way out. Also, if you plan to visit, please step out of the building and do so with social distancing in mind. Thank you!

Call Committee

The call committee will meet this Wednesday, June 17th.

Deborah Bible Study

Deborah Bible Study will meet this Thursday, June 18th, at 10:00 am at Riverside Park, weather permitting. Lesson three will be covered. Sonja Bergstedt & Val Swanson will host.

Newsletter Deadline

Please have all articles for the July newsletter to the church office this Friday, June 19th.

Our Daily Bread

The June/July/August issue of *Our Daily Bread* is in the magazine racks in the narthex. Pick up a copy to use with your daily devotions.

Flower Beds

We are looking for volunteers to help water the outside church flowers on a weekly basis. Let's see if we can get enough volunteers so you only have to take one week this summer. If you are willing to help out the months of June, July and August, please contact Donna Gunderson at 315-0275.

Piano

The console piano in the church basement is open to bids from First Lutheran members. Today, June 14, is the last day to submit a bid to Jeannette at the First Lutheran Church email address, flo@westriv.com. The piano will need to be removed by June 30, 2020.

Camp of the Cross Updates

- Summer Sundays on the lake at Camp of the Cross Ministries is Sunday, June 14th through Sunday, August 9th. Worship at 10 a.m. with community picnic to follow – "rain or shine".
- PRAIRIE LAKE FESTIVAL is being moved to the end of the summer. They will keep us posted. There hope is to have a public and virtual festival. So, June 20, 2020 is postponed! Please contact the CCM office if you have any questions. If anyone has items to contribute to the Prairie Lake Festival, please contact Peggy Moran.

First Lutheran Church Updates

- As of the June 3 council meeting First Lutheran will begin in person worship services as of June 14 limiting to a total of 150 people. Masks are recommended but not required. Pews will be blocked off. Hymn books, pew cards and pencils will be removed. Bulletins will be put in the pews. Singing will be limited. CDC guidelines on the Smart Restart will be followed. Offering plates will not be passed but will be on the bulletin table for you to put your offering in before or after worship. We will also continue with Facebook Live services at least through June. There will be no gathering downstairs with the exception of utilizing the restroom facilities. It was determined that AA will be the only group allowed to meet at this time. Watch the church website, Facebook and notices on the church doors for further updates.
- ➤ The front door only will be open daily from 11:00 am 2:00 pm to help keep traffic down during this pandemic.
- We ask that you remember your tithing for the church. Either send your payment to the church or drop it off at Farmers Security Bank in Washburn notating it is a donation for First Lutheran Church if you will not be attending worship at the church.

COMMUNITY AND AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Washburn United Methodist Church is having a **Community Song Fest** this Saturday, June 20, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm by the Veteran's Memorial Wall on main street. Come raise your voice in singing, lift everyone's spirits and connect with the community. If you would like to play a song on a musical instrument, sing a camp or praise song, please contact Jo Kidd at 460-0398. An ice cream social will follow the singing. This is all free of charge and everyone is welcome!!!

THIS WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN 9:30 AM Worship TODAY AA Meeting 7:00 PM WED. Call Committee Meeting THURS. 10:00 AM Deborah Bible Study at Riverside Park SAT. 6-8 PM Community Song Fest by Veteran's Memorial Wall on Main Street Worship w/Holy Communion SUNDAY 9:30 AM AA Meeting 7:00 PM

Listening for the Promise

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL

June 14, 2020—Second Sunday after Pentecost

"When [Jesus] saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd." (Matthew 9:36)

A pastor is a shepherd. His or her calling is to shepherd the flock. But it is not just pastors who are shepherds; we all have shepherding roles in various areas of our lives, including our church lives. As Lutherans, we confess that we believe in the priesthood of all believers, but we might also affirm the pastor-hood of all believers. How can we all be better shepherds?

Let's consider pastors first. Shepherding has many aspects including the care and nurture of people, which many pastors do well. However, it also includes leading and protecting the flock, which many pastors fail at. There are two reasons for this failure: fear and ignorance. Many pastors are so afraid of conflict that they suppress truth to maintain peace. Second, in dealing with controversial issues, many pastors don't know what the proper course of action is. Why? Because they don't know how to apply God's law, except to the most obvious issues of personal morality. For many, the law is just a theological set up for the gospel, not a moral guide for all of life.

But what about laypeople? They also have shepherding responsibilities. And often, they too are paralyzed by the same fear and ignorance. They avoid conflict like the plague, and don't know how to adjudicate conflict Biblically. As a result, they contribute to the unhealthy dynamics of their churches, making it harder for their pastors to fulfill their shepherding obligations to them.

So, whether we are pastors or laypeople, let's become better shepherds. Let's nurture, guide, and protect others, especially in the midst of conflict. Conflict is a normal part of life; avoiding or suppressing it only makes it worse. But when we handle it properly, we all grow stronger. For this to happen, however, we must know how to adjudicate conflict Biblically and how to speak the truth in love.

Many people today are harassed like sheep without a shepherd. We have a gospel opportunity to serve others in the name of the Good Shepherd!

Prayer: Lord, give us the courage and the knowledge to handle conflict in a godly way that we might shepherd others.