



**Bless our God...
who has kept
our soul among
the living.**

Psalm 66:8-9

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Washburn, North Dakota

Sunday, July 19, 2020

9:30 AM Worship Seventh Sunday after Pentecost LBW Setting One 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

SPECIAL MUSIC Randy & Gwen Hall
Rick Richard, Sonja Bergstedt
“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

KYRIEp. 57

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

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray:

C: Heavenly Father, Jesus bids us to come to him when we are weary, promising his yoke of love will be easy. Give us the grace to see that our true peace comes from assuming his yoke and serving you until we are at last at rest in him; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 44:6-8

⁶Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: "I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. ⁷Who is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before me, since I appointed an ancient people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen. ⁸Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses! Is there a God besides me? There is no Rock; I know not any."

PSALM.....Psalm 119:57-64

⁵⁷ The Lord is my portion;
I promise to keep your words.
⁵⁸ I entreat your favor with all my heart;
be gracious to me according to your promise.
⁵⁹ When I think on my ways,
I turn my feet to your testimonies;
⁶⁰ I hasten and do not delay
to keep your commandments.
⁶¹ Though the cords of the wicked ensnare me,
I do not forget your law.
⁶² At midnight I rise to praise you,
because of your righteous rules.
⁶³ I am a companion of all who fear you,
of those who keep your precepts.
⁶⁴ The earth, O Lord, is full of your steadfast love;
teach me your statutes!

SECOND READING Romans 8:18-27

¹⁸For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

ALLELUIA

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

GOSPEL READING Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

²⁴Jesus put another parable before {the disciples}, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. ²⁷And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' ²⁸He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, "Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'""

³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." ³⁷He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸The field is the world, and the good seed is the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, ⁴²and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear."

SERMON Pastor David Darling

SPECIAL MUSIC Randy & Gwen Hall
Rick Richard, Sonja Bergstedt
"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

P: Words of Institution

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

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

(Single Aisle Station – one side at a time, social distancing)

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving, Alleluia, Alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

BENEDICTION

HYMN "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

CREATION, PRESERVATION

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Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 Great is thy faith - ful-ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
 2 Sum-mer and win - ter and spring-time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear

shad-ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com -
 stars in their cours-es a - bove join with all na - ture in
 pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright

pas-sions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 man - i - fold wit-ness to thy great faith - ful-ness, mer - cy, and love.
 hope for to - mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be - side!

Refrain

Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness!

Morn-ing by morn-ing new mer-cies I see; all I have need-ed thy

hand hath pro-vid-ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me!

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FAITHFULNESS
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POSTLUDE

Today's Worship Leaders & Volunteers – Thank You!

GUEST PASTOR Pastor David Darling
 READER Kathy Keller
 COMMUNION ASSISTANT Kathy Keller
 ORGANIST LeAnn Richard
 USHERS/GREETERS Chris & Nicole Albers
 ALTAR GUILD..... Claudette Ness & Maybell Job
 SERVICE GROUP COORDINATORS Randy & Gwen Hall

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.

After a vision, Jacob declared, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God” (Genesis 28:17). This worship space, too, is the house of God, and so is your heart. Welcome.

Visitors

We welcome all visitors to First Lutheran today.

Holy Communion

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Receive the bread into your open, flat palm. Ask if you wish to receive grape juice or a gluten free wafer. Alert an usher if you, or someone you know, needs communion served in the pew.

Nursery

The nursery, located beside the narthex, is available for use for any parent feeling the need to use it during worship services with their child.

Thank you for your giving

Sunday, July 12th Attendance – 66
General Fund & Plate Giving - \$3,280.00

Welcome

We welcome Pastor David & Kristina Darling from Holland, Indiana. Thank you, Pastor David for leading the worship service this morning.

Prayer Requests

Virgil Wisdom, Harold Holtz, Cindy Delmonicao – Mother to Melissa Kugler, Elaine Renfrow – Mother to Lynette Sondrol, Mike Thyberg, Sandi Femling – Cousin to Melanie Beckman, Laren Holznagel, 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, John Krebsbach – Brother to Peggy Wollmuth, Arlo Omoth – Brother to Jeneen Loe, Shirley Nelson, Bob Miller, Rodney Jaeger

Flowers

Flowers today are from the funeral of LeRoy Bender. Please keep Arlene and the family in your prayers.

Newsletter Deadline

Please have all articles for the August newsletter to the church office by Monday, July 20th.

Quilting

There will be quilting this Thursday, July 23rd, beginning at 9:00 am for up to no more than 10 people.

Custodian Position Opening

We are sorry to say that our custodians, Jared & Sharon Hendrikson have turned in their resignation effective July 31st. If you are interested in the position please see Jeannette in the church office for a job description and application. Applications are to be returned no later than July 31st to the church office.

LCMC 20th Annual Gathering Delegates

LCMC 20th Annual Gathering will be held on Monday, October 5, 2020 at North Heights Lutheran Church in Arden Hills, MN. Yes, one day only this year. This is due to the current restrictions placed on group gatherings in the state of Minnesota due to COVID-19. Breakout sessions, fellowship and networking activities, and vendors have been canceled for this year. Registration is limited to 250 people at the gathering and is first come first serve, online only, and limited to voting delegates. **First Lutheran is allowed two voting delegates.** The deadline to register is September 30th. The event will be live streamed as usual, however this year they plan to offer a more interactive experience for those who will be “attending” the event from home. If you are interested in being a delegate, please see Jeannette in the church office. She also has a schedule for October 5th if you would like to see it.

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!

Christ in Our Home and Our Daily Bread

The July/August/September issue of *Christ in Our Home* and 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.

Connections Magazine

The July/August issue of *Connections* is in the magazine racks. Pick up a copy today to read updates from NALC & LCMC plus other interesting articles.

Camp of the Cross

Summer Sundays on the lake at Camp of the Cross Ministries is through Sunday, August 9th. Worship at 10 a.m. with community picnic to follow – “rain or shine”.

First Lutheran Church Updates as of July 1, 2020

- First Lutheran will keep maintaining worship services as is, limiting up to a total of 150 people. **Face masks are strongly encouraged but not required. Bring your own mask, if you don't, masks will be available for your use.** As of now we will have Facebook Live services today. Watch Facebook and our website, www.flcwashburn for further updates on Facebook Live services.
- There will be no gathering downstairs with the exception of utilizing the restroom facilities. It was determined that AA (Sunday nights), FLCW quilters (no more than 10 people to meet one day a month for quilting), Pastoral Call Committee and Church Council will be the only groups 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.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN

TODAY	9:30 AM	Worship w/Holy Communion
	7:00 PM	AA Meeting
MON.		Newsletter Deadline
THURS.	9:00 AM	Quilting
SUNDAY	9:30 AM	Worship
	7:00 PM	AA Meeting