

A photograph of a crucifix in a church, with the text "Soon my salvation will come." overlaid in the center. The background is a warm, brownish-gold color, suggesting a church interior with soft lighting. The crucifix is positioned in the upper left quadrant of the image.

**Soon
my salvation
will come.**

Isaiah 56:1

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Washburn, North Dakota

Sunday, August 16, 2020

9:30 AM Worship Eleventh 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 Orlin Larson & Theresa Petersen
"Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross"

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

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: Gracious God, you welcome all who cry out to you, and no one is beyond the reach of your mercy. Through our gathering around word and meal, strengthen us to be living signs of your healing and mercy so that all may know your glory and grace; 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 56:1, 6-8

¹Thus says the Lord: "Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon my salvation will come, and my righteousness be revealed."

⁶And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast my covenant — ⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples."

⁸The Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, "I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered."

PSALM.....Psalm 67

May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,

² that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.

³ Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

⁴ Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

⁶ The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.

⁷ God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!

SECOND READINGRomans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ^{2a}God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. ...

¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?

²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

ALLELUIA

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

GOSPEL READINGMatthew 15:10-28

¹⁰ And he called the people to him and said to them, "Hear and understand: ¹¹ it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but what comes out of the mouth; this defiles a person."

¹² Then the disciples came and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this saying?"

¹³ He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be rooted up. ¹⁴ Let them alone; they are blind guides. And if the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a pit."

¹⁵ But Peter said to him, "Explain the parable to us." ¹⁶ And he said, "Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷ Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the stomach and is expelled? ¹⁸ But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person. ¹⁹ For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰ These are what defile a person. But to

eat with unwashed hands does not defile anyone.”

²¹ And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.”

²³ But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” ²⁴ He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” ²⁵ But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” ²⁶ And he answered, “It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁷ She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.” ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

SERMON Pastor Curt Hanson

SPECIAL MUSIC Arden Wagner, Gwen DeMontigny
Rick & LeAnn Richard
“Sanctuary”

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 comes 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

**HYMNOn Back Page
“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”**

POSTLUDE

Today’s Worship Leaders & Volunteers – Thank You!

- INTERIM PASTOR Pastor Curt Hanson
- READER.....Suzanne Swanson
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTSuzanne Swanson
- ORGANIST..... Theresa Petersen
- USHERS/GREETERSArden & Sande Wagner
- ALTAR GUILD Claudette Ness & Maybell Job
- SERVICE GROUP COORDINATORSRandy & Janet Hanson

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.

Family of God, welcome to this time of worship and fellowship. The peace of the Lord be with you all.

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, August 9th Attendance – 88
General Fund & Plate Giving - \$6,240.00

Prayer Requests

Lori Ficklin and family on the loss of their Mandan apartment due to fire, Taylor Gardner, Alexis Thompson – Granddaughter to Sylvia Thompson, Virgil Wisdom, Harold Holtz, Cindy Delmonicao – Mother to Melissa Kugler, Elaine Renfrow – Mother to Lynette Sondrol, Sandi Femling – Cousin to Melanie Beckman, Laren Holznagel, Harlow Tatum – Daughter to Brea (Gutknecht) Tatum, 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

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!

Welcome

We would like to welcome Jeff Schmidt as First Lutheran's new custodian. Jeff was officially hired on August 5th at the church council meeting.

Deborah Bible Study

Deborah Bible Study will meet this Thursday, August 20th, at 9:30 am at the home of Cathy Sheldon. Sande Wagner and Donna Gunderson will host.

Newsletter Deadline

Please have all articles for the September newsletter to the church office by this Thursday, August 20th, by noon.

Movie Night

Join us this Thursday, August 20th at 6:30 pm here at First Lutheran Church for **MOVIE NIGHT**. There will be music, devotions and popcorn! All ages are welcome. Kids 5 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

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.

Our Daily Bread and Christ in Our Home

The September/October/November issue of *Our Daily Bread* and the July/August/September issue of *Christ in Our Home* is in the magazine racks in the narthex. Pick up a copy of each to use with your daily devotions.

In addition to being available in print, both standard size and large print, *Christ in Our Home* is now available as eBooks. You can purchase them on Amazon Kindle, Barnes and Noble Nook, Apple iBooks, Google Play Books, and Kobo Reader Stores. This is a great way to get the devotional if you can't get to church to pick up your subscription, or if you're new to the devotional!

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.

LWR Kits

With school supplies going on sale, now is the time to help put together kits for LWR. Put the items in the quilting closet at the bottom of the front stairs when you bring them to the church. Bolded items are especially needed. The following are items needed to make one school kit and one baby care kit:

School Kits:

- **Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college ruled paper approximately 8" X 10½"; no loose-leaf paper**
- One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- **One pencil sharpener**
- One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- **One 2 1/2" eraser**
- One sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag approximately 14" X 17" with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks)

Baby Care Kits:

- Two lightweight cotton t-shirts (no Onesies)
- Two long or short sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- Two receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, up to 52" square
- Four cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- One jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, *or include a baby cap*
- Two pairs of socks
- One hand towel, dark color recommended
- 2 or 3 bath-size bars of gentle soap equaling 8 or 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping; no mini or hotel size bars.
- Two diaper pins or large safety pins

First Lutheran Church Updates as of August 5, 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. Watch Facebook and our website, www.flcwashburn for further updates regarding Facebook Live services.
- It was determined that the following groups of no more than 24 people are the only groups allowed to meet at the church at this time - AA, FLCW quilters (one day a month for quilting), Pastoral Call Committee, Church Council, Choir, Bell Choir, Deborah Bible Study, Chat & Sew Quilters and Mommy's Group. **No food to be served at this time or coffee hour.**
- Doors will be open daily from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.
- Watch the church website, Facebook and notices on the church doors for further updates.
- 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
TUES.	10:00 AM	Mommy's Group
THURS.	9:30 AM	Deborah Bible Study at Cathy Sheldon's
	Noon	Newsletter Deadline
	6:30 PM	Movie Night
SUNDAY	9:30 AM	Worship
	7:00 PM	AA Meeting

You Are Invited!



SPIRITUAL
ORPHANS
NETWORK

BE THE GENERATION of Faith

Join Us in Support of Global Missions & SON Network

LIVE STREAMING EVENT

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27 | 7:00 PM CENTRAL / 6:00 PM MOUNTAIN

For more information, visit: SONetwork.org



**REV. DR.
GEMECHIS BUBA**

NALC Assistant to the Bishop
for Global Missions



**PASTOR
GREG FINKE**

Executive Director,
Dwelling 1:14



**PASTOR DAVID
BREIDENBACH**

With a message of invitation
from SON Executive Director,



A Great Event for Families, Youth Groups, Bible Study Groups, and Church Leaders!

SON (Spiritual Orphans Network) was formally known as (EEMN) East European Missions Network.

As we find ourselves in this extraordinary time in life and ministry, Christians everywhere are seeking ways that we can still make a Kingdom impact in our own communities and in the lives of pre-Christians across the globe. This is why SON Network is inviting you and those you love to join us for an evening of inspiration, worship, learning, great music, and an invitation to BE THE GENERATION of Faith!

This 90 minute program will feature Keynote Speakers: Rev. Dr. Gemechis Buba – NALC Assistant to the Bishop for Global Missions; and Pastor Greg Finke – Executive Director of Dwelling 1:14 and author of *Joining Jesus on His Mission*. They will also be joined by Christian musicians, Tom Crow and friends; testimonies from overseas ministry partners, along with a personal invitation from the Executive Director of SON Network, Pastor David Breidenbach to BE THE GENERATION of Faith.

Families, Youth Groups, Bible Study Groups, and Church Leaders are all encouraged to tune in and receive messages of hope, inspiration, and encouragement to join our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ in His mission!

This is a FREE LIVE STREAMING EVENT!

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27th

8pm Eastern / 7pm Central / 6pm Mountain / 5pm Pacific

LOG ON to:



SONetwork.org

This 90 minute program will also be recorded for later viewing on our Spiritual Orphans Network Facebook page.

Listening for the Promise

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost - August 16, 2020

Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

- Matthew 15:28-

There is something really powerful and inspiring about the stories where people encounter Jesus and are willing to take whatever is left over. Jesus told a story in Luke 15 where the young son who squandered his inheritance came slinking home, ready to eat what the pigs ate. He was willing to take what was left in order to be in the presence of his Father. Then there is the account of the woman who had a bleeding disorder for many years (Matthew 9). She simply wanted to touch the hem of Jesus' cloak as she knew that his power would bring her healing even when nothing else had worked over the years. She was willing to take the left overs.

In our Gospel story for today we hear the familiar story of the Canaanite woman whose daughter was ill, possessed by a demon. During their conversation Jesus puts her off at first. But his resistance causes her to push harder. She needs him and will not give up. She loves her child and will do whatever is necessary to get the Lord to act. We can understand that, right?

The disciples try to get Jesus to send the woman away, but he won't. He says, "I was sent only to the lost house of Israel," in other words, only to the Jews, of which you are not. She doesn't care to whom he was sent, only that she has seen his power and she is in great need of him right now. She kneels down before him, putting herself in a position of humility, and states very clearly what she wants, "Help me, Lord."

The exchange continues as Jesus challenges her once again calling her a dog. She will accept that. She doesn't care what he calls her, as long as he helps her, this is how desperate she is. Her daughter's life depends upon her not giving up! But then she says something to Jesus that causes him to act, "Yes, Lord," she said, "yet even the dogs get to eat the crumbs that fall from the master's table." She will take the scraps. She doesn't need a banquet, only a crumb. Jesus' challenge to her has brought her to the very faith required to receive his blessing! "Great is your faith," he says, "your daughter has been healed." God gives us the faith that he requires and we are willing to take the tiniest measure of him, because we know that's all we really need. Amen.

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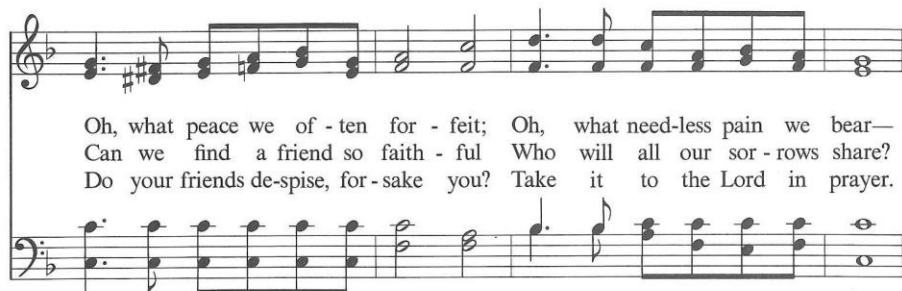
What a Friend We Have in Jesus



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, Cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; Oh, what need - less pain we bear—
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be - cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; You will find a so - lace there.