



**November 25, 2020
Thanksgiving Eve Service
7:00 PM**

First Lutheran Church
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(*indicates please stand if you are able)

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL MUSIC Steph Mann, Arden Wagner
Rick & LeAnn Richard
“We Praise You, O God”

* INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

(based on Psalm 118 ESV):

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

C: Amen.

P: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

C: for his steadfast love endures forever!

P: Let Israel say,

C: “His steadfast love endures forever.”

P: Let the house of Aaron say,

C: “His steadfast love endures forever.”

P: Let those who fear the Lord say,

C: “His steadfast love endures forever.”

P: Out of my distress I called on the Lord;

C: the Lord answered me and set me free.

P: The Lord is on my side;

C: I will not fear.

P: What can man do to me?

C: The Lord is on my side as my helper;

P: It is better to take refuge in the Lord

C: than to trust in princes.

P: I was pushed hard, so that I was falling,

C: but the Lord helped me.

P: The Lord is my strength and my song;

C: he has become my salvation.

P: Open to me the gates of righteousness,

C: that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

P: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

C: for his steadfast love endures forever!

*OPENING PRAYER

P: Let us pray: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, your mercies are new to us every morning, and you abundantly provide for all our wants of body and soul, though we have not deserved your goodness. Give us your Holy Spirit, that we may heartily acknowledge your merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 8:1-10

¹ "The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers. ² And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. ³ And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD. ⁴ Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. ⁵ Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the LORD your God disciplines you. ⁶ So you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. ⁷ For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, ⁸ a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹ a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. ¹⁰ And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 67

- 1 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!

SPECIAL MUSIC Steph & Pastor Chuck Mann
"Overwhelmed"

Words and music by Michael Weaver & Phil Wickham

SECOND LESSON Philippians 4:6-20

6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. 8 Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. 9 What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. 10 I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. 11 Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. 12 I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. 13 I can do all things through him who strengthens me. 14 Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. 15 And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in

giving and receiving, except you only. ¹⁶ Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. ¹⁷ Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. ¹⁸ I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. ¹⁹ And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. ²⁰ To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*The Gospel verse+

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

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 17th Chapter

C: Glory to you O Lord.

GOSPEL..... Luke 17:11-19

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³ and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." ¹⁴ When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸ Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you O Christ.

HOMILY..... Pastor Chuck Mann

SPECIAL MUSICSteph Mann, Arden Wagner
Rick & LeAnn Richard
"Praise and Thanksgiving"

***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 (please respond: Hear our prayer)**

**SPECIAL MUSICSteph Mann, Arden Wagner
Rick & LeAnn Richard
"O Living Bread from Heaven"**

***PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION**

P: Blessed are you,

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***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 good and right, our duty and our delight, to give thanks to You, Lord God, our heavenly Father, from whom all things come, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, the Word through whom all things came into being. Mindful of all Your gifts and gathered by the prompting of the Holy Spirit, we offer You thanks and praise for all Your goodness and for Your kindness in bestowing upon us everlasting life. Therefore,

with all the angels and the company of heaven we offer You thanks and praise, saying:

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

*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER #33

P: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son that all those who believe in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION

*BLESSING

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Blessed are You...now and forever.

C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

***CLOSING HYMN On Next Two Pages
"How Great Thou Art"**

DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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How Great Thou Art

1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
 3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, Sent him to
 4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, And take me

all the *worlds thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the *roll - ing
 birds singsweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 die, I scarce can take it in, That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -

thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;
 ra - tion And there pro - claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain
 Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee, How great thou

art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to

thee, How great thou art! How great thou art!

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O STORE GUD
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Today's Worship Leaders & Volunteers – Thank You!

PASTOR Pastor Chuck Mann
 COMMUNION ASSISTANT Jeff Schmidt
 READER Jeff Schmidt
 ORGANIST LeAnn Richard
 USHERS/GREETERS Mike & Sharon Nelson
 ALTAR GUILD Claudette Ness
 SERVICE GROUP COORDINATORS Dick & Carla Bickert

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.

Happy Thanksgiving! Welcome to First Lutheran Church as we gather to praise and thank God for all his gifts.

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.

Prayer Requests

Joel Joersz, Virgie Emineth, Cindy Delmonico – Mother to Melissa Kugler, Michelle Schweich – Niece to Arden & Sande Wagner, Glenn Weist, Anna Belle, Ruby from Pine Ridge, Claire Boucher – Friends of Aaron & Lexie Solomonson newborn, Jamie Baumann, James Tolbert, Brad Taylor – Friend of Pastor Chuck, Beryl Lonski – Brother-in-law to Mike & Sharon Nelson, Taylor Gardner, Harold Holtz, 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

Poinsettias and Outdoor Greenery

Help purchase a poinsettia for the poinsettia tree. Cost is \$14 each and there will be a total of 30 purchased. Once the 30 have been purchased you need to buy your own and get it to the church. You are welcome to purchase your own from some other place if you don't want to purchase one of these. Either way, forms are on the table in the narthex to fill out. Forms and money need to be at Jeannette's office no later than noon on Tuesday, December 22nd, to be recognized in the Christmas Eve bulletin. You are also welcome to donate money for the outdoor greenery.

Offering Envelopes

Jeannette will be getting the 2021 offering envelopes ready within the next 2-3 weeks. If you have been receiving a set and do not wish to get them anymore, please let her know soon.

Advent Devotions

The NALC Advent Devotions are on the table in the narthex. Pick up a copy today to use with your daily devotions during Advent.

**First Lutheran Church Update as of November 17, 2020
regarding Orders from ND Governor's Office and
ND Dept. of Health:**

As a religious organization, the FLC executive committee has reviewed the subject COVID 19 related materials, and in prayerful consideration we are moving forward with the following guidelines:

Church Services- in-person

- Facemasks will be required in accordance with the Governor's/State Health Officer's orders
 - Masks must be worn when *entering* or *exiting* the sanctuary. Please bring your own mask if able, if you do not have one available, the church will continue to provide disposable masks barring any supply/availability issues.
 - This does not apply to those who are exempt from ND health order, such as those with medical conditions, children 4 years old and under (children under 2 years old should never wear face coverings), etc.
- Social distancing will be observed, by family unit (maintaining six feet apart).
 - Pews will remain in usual position to allow for the most space per family unit
- Circumstances where mandatory face coverings may be temporarily removed (from state health officer order part 6) that are applicable to our services
 - Pastor Chuck (or others using mics up front) while socially distant in leading the service
 - Musicians to play instruments (as long as they are able to be socially distance)
 - While a family unit is sitting in the pew during the service when social distancing is possible
- After the service has finished, please fellowship outside for adequate space for social distancing.

Sunday School/Confirmation/Other small group activities held at the church

- All small groups are still welcome to meet
- Facemasks will be required when attending any of these activities at the church
- To accommodate more families to come see the Sunday School Christmas Program safely, we will be splitting the

program into two separate programs with 20 minutes in-between, more information on this coming soon!

All previous guidelines remain in place:

- Every family is encouraged to attend church, Sunday school, or other activities in the manner that they feel most comfortable (whether on-line or in person)
- Hand sanitizer is available at multiple locations within the church.
- No food is to be prepared in the kitchen at this time, and there will be no coffee hour.
- The FLC website (www.flcwashburn.com) and Facebook will be updated as we continue to monitor the situation and any new developments. Please check these sites for updates or concerns. If you do not see an answer to your concern, please feel free to reach out to Pastor Chuck or Jeannette.
- If you are joining online and would like the Sacrament of Holy Communion, please contact Pastor Chuck.

“May the Lord bless you and keep you; may the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; may the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.” Numbers 6:24-26

COMMUNITY AND AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Gift tags for **Helping Hands** are available in the narthex. When you take a tag, please sign your name on the paper by the tag number. Please return your gifts (with the tag on it) no later than noon on Sunday, December 13th.
- **Stuff the Stocking for McLean County.** November 30th – December 14th, please help Dakota West Credit Union in Washburn stuff the stockings with kid friendly stocking size items for families with children in need of holiday help this year! Suggestions: stuffed animals, lip balm/nail polish, travel size games, toiletries, books/cards, colors/paints, hot wheels, gloves/hats, sock/undies, small toys, unopened bags of candy/snacks. Basically anything you can fit in a stocking for a kid! Look for a drop box at Dakota West CU or Captains Cabin. Stockings will be provided and stuffed by Dakota West CU and then distributed among various towns in McLean County to give to families! Other towns that have drop boxes are Garrison, Turtle Lake and Underwood. Thank you for your contribution!