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Corinthians
4:14

**He who raised the
Lord Jesus will
raise us also with
Jesus and bring us
with you into
his presence.**



June 9, 2024
Third Sunday after Pentecost
9:30 AM Worship

First Lutheran Church
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PRELUDE AND BELLS

AS WE GATHER

"This morning brings us face to face with the basic truths of sin and grace. Sin separates us from God, yet God in his great mercy doesn't let sin have the last word in our lives. On account of Christ Jesus and his sacrificial death upon the cross, our Lord deals with us in grace, forgiving our sin and creating new futures for us. Welcome to God's house today!"

WELCOME

(put prayer requests on yellow cards)

HYMN LBW #229

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

THE WORD

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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land All threat - ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, No thanks to foes, who

to - rious; He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod And
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, Whom
 vour us, We trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; They
 fear it; For God him - self fights by our side With

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap-ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

Has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 In bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 Goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, Though life be wrenched a - way,

He arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 They can - not win the day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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 Tune: Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS.....p. 56

L: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

L: 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

L: 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.

L: 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

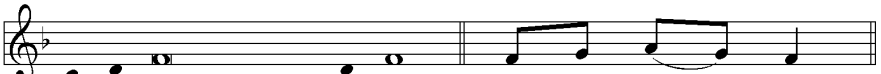
L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

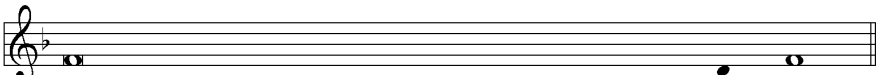
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

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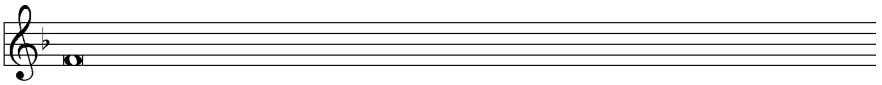
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



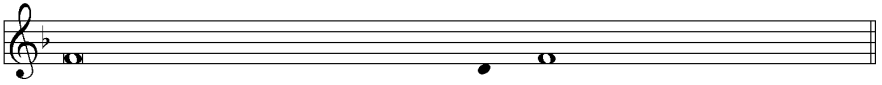
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



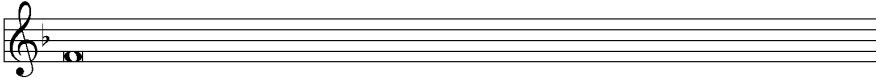
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

G Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **G** A - men

HYMN OF PRAISEp. 58



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



G Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa- ther; re- ceive our prayer.



For you a- lone are the Ho- ly One, you a- lone are the Lord,



you a- lone are the Most High, Je- sus Christ, with the Ho- ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa- ther. A - men

SALUTATION



☐ The Lord be with you.

☑ And al - so with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

C: Holy God, renew in us the gifts of faith and hope so that joined to Christ’s death and resurrection, and knit together in the body of Christ, we may go forth into the world from this holy assembly to do your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READINGGenesis 3:8-15

“We read about the fall into sin where everything went wrong for mankind, and the promise of a Savior who would redeem humanity from sin’s curse.”

⁸{The man and his wife} heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” ¹⁰And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” ¹¹He said, “Who told you that you were

naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate." ¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

PSALM (Read responsively)Psalm 130
"The psalmist proclaims the beauty of God's forgiveness and the joy that that forgiveness brings when God, for Christ's sake, does not count our sins against us."

¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
² **O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!**
³If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?
⁴**But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.**
⁵I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;
⁶**my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.**
⁷O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.
⁸**And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.**

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1
"Though our hearts are often heavy with the struggles of this world, St. Paul invites us to lift our eyes to God's hope, which truly outweighs any earthly problem."

¹³Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his

presence. ¹⁵For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

¹For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ALLELUIAp. 62

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 3rd chapter.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READINGMark 3:20-35

(Though accused by his detractors, Jesus once again reveals his mission to break men and women free from the devil's power.)

²⁰{Jesus} went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that {Jesus and the apostles} could not even eat. ²¹And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and

“by the prince of demons he casts out the demons.” ²³And he called them to him and said to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” — ³⁰for they were saying, “He has an unclean spirit.” ³¹And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. ³²And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you.” ³³And he answered them, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” ³⁴And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother.”

L: The Gospel of the Lord.



HYMN **LBW #390**
“I Love to Tell the Story”

I Love to Tell the Story

1 I love to tell the sto - ry Of un - seen things a - bove,
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry: How pleas - ant to re - peat
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, For those who know it best

Of Je - sus and his glo - ry, Of Je - sus and his love.
 What seems, each time I tell it, More won - der - ful - ly sweet!
 Seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing To hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, Be - cause I know it's true;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, For some have nev - er heard
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

It sat - is - fies my long - ings As noth - ing else would do.
 The mes - sage of sal - va - tion From God's own ho - ly Word.
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry That I have loved so long.

Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry; I'll sing this theme in glo - ry

And tell the old, old sto - ry Of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834-1911
Tune: William G. Fischer, 1835-1912

HANKEY
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SERMON Rick Richard

HYMN WOV #781
“My Life Flows On in Endless Song”

My Life Flows On in Endless Song

781

F B^b F C

1 My life flows on in end-less song; a - bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion,
 2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring - ing.
 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv - eth.
 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev - er spring-ing!

F B^b F C⁷ F

I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
 It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
 What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
 All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain F C Dm C F C F

No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.

F B^b F F/C C⁷ F

Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

APOSTLES' CREED.....p. 65

L: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C: 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

OFFERINGS ARE RECEIVED

OFFERTORYp. 75

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -
 it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
 not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the
 joy of your sal-va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

C: Benevolent God, you have granted us in abundance with all the good things that life has to offer. May we be truly grateful for our daily bread, even as we return a portion of what you have first given us as a sign of our humility and thanksgiving for your bounteous gifts. Let the treasures we have received from you be used to serve the world you love. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD’S PRAYERp. 76

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

BENEDICTION

Psalm 32:10

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✕ give you peace

Numbers 6:24–26

In the name of the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

HYMN LBW #182

“Rise, O Children of Salvation”

Rise, O Children of Salvation

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1 Rise, O chil - dren of sal - va - tion, All who cleave to
 2 Saints and mar - tyrs long be - fore us Firm - ly on this
 3 Fight - ing, we shall be vic - to - rious By the blood of
 4 When his ser - vants stand be - fore him, Each re - ceiv - ing

Christ the head! Wake, a - wake, O might - y na - tion,
 ground have stood; See their ban - ner wav - ing o'er us,
 Christ our Lord; On our fore - heads, bright and glo - rious,
 his re - ward; When his saints in light a - dore him,

Lest the foe on Zi - on tread; He draws nigh and
 Con - qu'rors through the Sav - ior's blood. Ground we hold, where -
 Shines the wit - ness of his Word; Spear and shield on
 Giv - ing glo - ry to the Lord; "Vic - to - ry!" our

would de - fy All the hosts of God Most High.
 on of old Fought the faith - ful and the bold.
 bat - tle - field, His great name; we can - not yield.
 song shall be, Like the thun - der of the sea.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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CUSTODIAN: Jeff Schmidt

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.

Welcome to worship and fellowship as the family of God this day. Your presence adds joy to our gathering.

Visitors

We welcome all visitors to First Lutheran today and ask that you sign our guest book in the narthex.

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, May 26th, Attendance – 107

Online Viewing – 18

General Fund & Plate Giving - \$1,432.00

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers today are from Dick & Carla Bickert in honor of their wedding anniversary.

Hearing Assist

First Lutheran has hearing assist systems to be used during the worship services. If you feel you could benefit from this or want to try it, please see the ushers in the narthex.

Pastoral Care

Please call Pastor Paul (701-240-4712) or the church office (701-462-3775) if you or a loved one are in the hospital or know you will be going to the hospital. The church does not get informed of your stay by any of the hospitals even if you are registered under our congregation's name. We want to make sure you get pastoral care. Thank you!

This week we pray for:

This Week's New Prayer Requests: Warren Pauling (Audrey Pauling), Elmer Schwarz, Melisa Chrest

Prayers of Christian Sympathy: Family of Sonja Petersen

Long Term prayer requests:

Members: Alton Krebsbach, Howard Johnson, Karen Goehring

* The person in parenthesis is who the person is related to or friends of. Please feel free to ask these individuals how best you can pray for their family/friend.

This month we pray for:

Members: Marion Narum (Peggy Moran), Ty Brown (Jody & Nicole Brown), Alice Richard, Jackie Olson

Friends & Family: Wade Elder (Larry Keller)

This Quarter we pray for:

Members and Nonmembers: Perry Thyberg, Corrine Kerzmann (Donna Gunderson)

Military Prayer and Card List

We pray for the Men & Women in our Military who protect our country, especially those assigned to serve overseas or away from home.

- **Members of First Lutheran on Active Duty in the Military and the National Guard:**
SGT Bryce Rost – Army National Guard
SPC Olivia Retterath – National Guard - Deployed
SPC Christian Gardner – Army National Guard
SPC Cassidy Sommer – National Guard
SGT Jonathan Melvard – Army National Guard
- **Friends and Family on Active Duty in the Military and in the National Guard:**
SGT Dustin Enockson – National Guard
Emily Johnson – Air Force
Bryar Anderson – Marines
1SGT Jordan Ternes – Army National Guard
Tech. SGT Andre Austin – Air Force
Hunter Feigum – National Guard
Morris Duffy – Medical Air Guard
Adam Walsvik – National Guard

Notice of Prayer List Policy

We have a monthly /quarterly prayer list cycle. When you add someone to our prayer list the request will remain on our monthly list for four weeks and then be removed. If you would like to have the request moved to our quarterly list, please contact the office and the request will be added to our “This Quarter we pray for:” list for the next three months. Please help us keep our prayer list current by communicating updates to the office at 701-462-3775. Thank you all for your faithful prayers for all of God’s people.

Large Print Bulletins

We have large print bulletins for those wanting or needing larger print. Ask the ushers for one.

FLCW Executive Board

FLCW Executive Board will meet today following the worship service.

Sonja Petersen Memorial Service

Memorial service for Sonja Petersen will be held tomorrow morning, June 10th, at 10:30 am here at First Lutheran Church.

Raising Hope Ministry

Raising Hope Ministry will meet Monday, June 10th, at 6:30 pm. Questions, please talk to Kellie Sheldon.

Vacation Bible School

First Lutheran Church Vacation Bible School, "The Great Jungle Journey, An Epic Cruise from Genesis to Revelation", is July 30, 31 and August 1 from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. Lunch will be provided. Please scan the QR code below to register your child(ren) to guarantee souvenirs! If you have additional questions or comments, please call or text Kellie Sheldon at 701-840-8454 or Kacy Hardt at 701-351-0742.



Altar Flower Signup Sheet

A signup sheet for altar flowers through September 29th is on the table in the narthex. Signup for that Sunday you want before it is taken. You furnish the flowers and make sure they get to the church.

Connections

The May/June issue of *Connections* is in the magazine racks in the narthex. Take a copy today to read updates on the LCMC and NALC plus other interesting articles.

Our Daily Bread and Portals of Prayer

The June/July/August issue of *Our Daily Bread* and the April - June 2024 issue of *Portals of Prayer* are in the magazine racks in the narthex. Pick up a copy to use with your daily devotions.

COMMUNITY AND AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

All you can eat **Taco Bar & Ice Cream Sundaes** this Wednesday, June 12th, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm at the Washburn United Methodist Church. There will be a bounce house and games too! Freewill donation to benefit the Washburn Public Library Summer Reading Program. Everyone is invited.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN

TODAY	9:30 AM	Worship
	10:30 AM	Fellowship/Coffee Hour FLCW Executive Board Meeting
	10:45 PM	Fireside Bible Study
	7:00 PM	AA Meeting AI-Anon Meeting
MON.		FLY Day of Service
	10:30 AM 6:30 PM	Sonja Petersen Memorial Service Raising Hope Ministry
TUES.	10:00 AM	Mommy's Group
WED.	10:00 AM	Chat & Sew Quilting
	7:00 PM	FLY
SAT.		CCM Quilt Auction - Garrison
SUN.	9:30 AM	Worship w/Holy Communion
	10:30 AM	Fellowship/Coffee Hour
	10:45 AM	Fireside Bible Study
	7:00 PM	AA Meeting AI-Anon Meeting

Listening for the Promise

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL

Third Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 5) – June 9, 2024

“¹⁷For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.”

– 2 Corinthians 4:17-18 –

Afflictions, trials, times of testing. Whichever way you choose to describe it, we have all been through our fair share of difficult moments. Some of us have gone through more than others. Regardless, as human beings created by God and born into sin, we will undoubtedly deal with the sin of the world around us.

Paul speaks of suffering on a regular basis, especially in his second letter to the Corinthians. He himself is no stranger to afflictions. Here, Paul encourages the Christians in Corinth to not lose heart over times of tribulation. “The things that are seen are transient,” says Paul, meaning that the things around us in this life are only temporary; they are fleeting. Our material possessions, our thoughts, our feelings, and, yes, even our suffering is all temporary in the life we live on earth.

But rather than focusing on those things that are transient, we ought to be focusing on the things that cannot be seen: things like the Holy Spirit, God’s love and grace, God’s mercy and peace. These things we cannot see with our eyes, but we know them in our hearts because God has made them known to us through his word and the Holy Spirit. These are the things that matter because these are the things that are eternal.

Laura Story is a contemporary Christian artist. She sings a song entitled “Blessings.” The lyrics of the song serve as a reminder to us that the trials and afflictions of this life, challenging as they may be, bring us closer to God, relying on him for strength and perseverance. “What if your blessings come through raindrops? What if Your healing comes through tears? What if a thousand sleepless nights/Are what it takes to know You’re near? And what if trials of this life are Your mercies in disguise?”

Trials and afflictions in this life might be temporary and fleeting, but they might also serve as a blessing in disguise. As we look back through history, we see God’s church has been through all kinds of trials. God’s people have suffered, but God has helped them through it. They will eventually come to an end. But our life with Christ will never come to an end. Trials come that our faith might be strengthened.