

This Week at First Lutheran

Sunday, June 28th ~ 4th Sunday after Pentecost

Senior Blessing

10:00 a.m. Worship w/Holy Communion

11:15 a.m. Fellowship

Wednesday, July 1st

7:00 a.m. Worship on Wednesdays

9:00 a.m. Quilters

Thursday, July 2nd

9:00 a.m. Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, July 5th ~ 5th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Worship w/Holy Communion

11:15 a.m. Fellowship

Scripture Readings for Sunday, July 5th:

Zech. 9:9-12

Ps. 145:8-14

Rom. 7:15-25a

Matt. 11:16-19, 25-30

**Attendance last Sunday was 15
zoom log-ins and 22 in person**

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FLC Announcements

Congrats, to our High School Seniors: Kaylee Winter, Trent Campbell and Austin Rice as they graduate from Ellensburg High School with quilts and a blessing for them.

Please join us for cupcakes in the Fellowship Hall, after worship or take one to go.

Congrats to the Holcomb family on the birth of their daughter Lotte Sabol Holcomb. She was born on June 22nd 6lbs 5oz 19in. Mom and baby are doing great.



† GATHERING †

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

C **Amen.**

P Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reconciling God,

C **we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

P Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through + Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

GREETING:

A 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.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE:**

(Everyone sing all parts)

Leader

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est!

All

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est!

Leader All

To God be glo-ry for-ev - er! To God be glo-ry for-ev - er!

Leader Leader

Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Group 1 Group 1, 2

Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Leader

Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Group 1, 2, 3

Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

A O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

Assisting Minister: Sheila Johnson

Reader: Eric Merten ~ Ushers:

Sound Operator: Bruce Palmquist

Altar Guild: Jan McElroy

PARISH STAFF

Pastor - Dennis Hickman, Ministry Associate - Carla Bergman

Organist - Betty Kramlich, Youth Director - Vacant

Choir Director - Tor Blaisdell, Office Administrator - Christine Rice



Prayer Requests

The family of Ann Ringe at her passing, Suzanne Ponchene, Joan Nesland, Wanless' great granddaughter Rae Lynn Martinez (preemie), Estelle Johnson at the death of her husband Al Johnson, Geraldine Childress, Fred Watterson, Katie & Kalan Hope Klosterman (Debbie Butler niece & baby), Jan Riggs, Lani Maier, Ken Hunter, Erleen Beckley, Brooklyn Dawson, Samuel Herron, Yang-ae-Kim (Min's mother, dementia), Shane Williams, the people in the countries of the Middle East, for safety for all U.S. Service Men and Women and their families, especially Jake Ferris, Micah Barnhart, Tim Hurson, Erik Hurson, leaders of all nations, Immigrant families, and for peace in our world and in our families.

We pray also for our Companion Synod, the Ulanga Kilombero Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania, Bread for the World, and FISH Food Bank.

~Please update Pastor Dennis about people on the prayer list~

If you have a prayer request, fill out the blue prayer request sheet located in the pew in-between the pencils and hand it to an usher.

(Please remember that our Service is broadcast live on KXLE radio.)

† SENDING †

*BLESSING:

P Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, + Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.

C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SENDING SONG: "Give to Our God Immortal Praise!" ELW #848

*DISMISSAL:

A Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: "God Bless America"

† ~Mission Statement of First Lutheran Church~ †

God's love inspires us to unite in worship, grow in Word and Sacrament,

and serve the need of others as the Holy Spirit empowers us.

To this end, as members of First Lutheran Church,

we believe we are each called to proclaim, share,

and daily live Christ's Gospel of Love.

† WORD †

FIRST READING:

Jeremiah 28:5-9

Through a symbolic action, Jeremiah insisted that Judah and all the surrounding nations should submit to the king of Babylon. Hananiah contradicted Jeremiah, who in reply insisted that Hananiah's rosy prediction should not be believed until it came true. God confirmed the word of Jeremiah and sentenced the false prophet Hananiah to death (vv. 16-17).

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; ⁶and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles.

⁷"But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

PSALM:

Read Together

Psalm 89

Your love, O LORD, forever will I sing. (Ps. 89:1)

¹Your love, O LORD, forever | will I sing;

from age to age my mouth will pro- | claim your faithfulness.

²**For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is estab- | lished forever;**
you have set your faithfulness firmly | in the heavens.

³"I have made a covenant with my | chosen one;

I have sworn an oath to Da- | vid my servant:

⁴**I will establish your | line forever,**
and preserve your throne for all | generations."

¹⁵Happy are the people who know the | festal shout!

They walk, O LORD, in the light | of your presence.

¹⁶**They rejoice daily | in your name;**
they are jubilant | in your righteousness.

¹⁷For you are the glory | of their strength,

and by your favor our might | is exalted.

¹⁸**Truly, our shield belongs | to the LORD;**
our king to the Holy | One of Israel.

SECOND READING:**Romans 6:12–23**

Sin is an enslaving power that motivates us to live self-serving, disobedient lives. Sin's final payoff is death. We, however, have been set free from sin's slavery to live obediently under God's grace, whose end is the free gift of eternal life.

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, ¹⁸and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

***THE 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, forever and ever. Amen

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

For in person worship: The bread and wine are in individual serving cups on tables up front. The wafer is on top and juice beneath, simply peel back the foil to consume.

For those who are taking part in the Lord's Supper at home; Please give the bread to one another or yourself with the words "The body of Christ given for you." Then give the wine or grape juice to one another or yourself with the words "The blood of Christ shed for you." If you have children please lay your hands on their heads and bless them with words such as "The risen Jesus loves and saves you." (Or similar words)

After worship please consume any remaining bread and wine/grape juice or return it to the ground from which it came. (Don't throw it in the garbage.)

OTHER HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION:**ELW #483*****POST-COMMUNION BLESSING:**

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

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER:**

A God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life.
C Amen.

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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P The Words of Institution

C Amen

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**



Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
 - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
 lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.
 lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

***HOLY GOSPEL:**

Matthew 10:40-42

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the tenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Jesus sends his disciples out as missionaries, he warns them of persecution and hardships they will face. He also promises to reward any who aid his followers and support their ministry.

[Jesus said to the twelve:] "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and whoever gives even a cup of

cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON: *Pastor Dennis Hickman*

HYMN OF THE DAY: *"Amazing Grace"* ELW # 779

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

** catholic means universal*

SHARING OF THE PEACE:

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

(The congregation greets one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you.")

We recognize and bless our high school graduates: Austin Rice, Kaylee Winter and Trent Campbell.

OFFERING:

(Download Vanco Give Plus app to give via your phone)

***OFFERTORY:** *"Take My Life, That I May Be"* ELW # 685 vs 1

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER:**

A God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song.

C Amen.

† PRAYERS †

A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

P Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen

† THE LORD'S SUPPER †

***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 our thanks and praise.