

This Week at First Lutheran

Sunday, November 1st ~ All Saints Day

10:00 a.m. Worship w/Holy Communion
11:15 a.m. Fellowship

Tuesday, November 3rd

1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, November 4th

7:00 a.m. Worship on Wednesdays
9:00 a.m. Quilters
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

Thursday, November 5th

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

Friday, November 6th

10:00-12:00p.m. Quilt Sale
2:00-4:00 p.m. Quilt Sale

Saturday, November 5th

10:00-12:00p.m. Quilt Sale
2:00-4:00 p.m. Quilt Sale

Sunday, November 8th ~ 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Worship w/Holy Communion
11:15 a.m. Fellowship and Quilt Sale

Scripture Readings for Sunday, November 8th:

Amos. 5:18-24

Ps. 70

1 Thess. 4:13-18

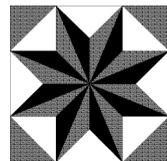
Matt. 25:1-13

**Attendance last Sunday was 21
zoom log-ins and 42 in person**

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Quilt Sale November 6-8



Friday and Saturday
10a-noon and 2-4p
Sunday Before and After Worship

\$25 Baby Quilts
\$45 Quilts
\$55 Jean/Corduroy Quilts

The sanctuary looks incredibly homey during November. The quilters are having their annual Quilt Sale November 6-8. We will open the church to 10 people at a time. Masks and social distancing will be required. Help us celebrate the hard work of the quilters.

We look forward to seeing you all at the Quilt Sale and it's never too soon to start thinking about Christmas gifts.

† GATHERING †

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Faithful God,

C **have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.

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:** "Now the Feast and Celebration" **ELW # 167**

Refrain: Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy to the God of life and love and freedom; praise and glory forever more!

Vs. 1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has freed and united us to be one great people of God.

Refrain

Vs. 2 Power and riches, wisdom and might, all honor and glory to Christ forever.

Refrain

Vs. 3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God; to make all things new.

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

A Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Special Music (if available) "Shall We Gather at the River" ~ Ralph & Betty Kramlich

†WORD†

FIRST READING: **Revelation 7:9-17**

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading is a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer gives the faithful the assurance of God's protection and a vision of victory.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God
who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"



Prayer Requests

Diane Sabol, Dick Borrud (knee replacement 10-2), Mary Sue Johnson (lymphoma Lygre's sister in law), Don Loetterle, Cheryl Comsia, Angie Perkins Downs, Charlene Watterson (broken shoulder), Alice Wanless at the death of her husband Don, Suzanne Ponchene, 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, 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.)

FLC Announcements

Thank you, to everyone who helped with the yard clean up yesterday.

Red Cross Blood Drive will be here at the church Monday, November 9th. At this time the blood drive is full for appointments.

Women's Bible Study on Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m. at FLC. If you have any questions please contact Renee Merten.

† ~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.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

Assisting Minister: Doug Fessler

Reader: Bea Fairburn

Sound Operator: Kyle Hickman

Altar Guild: Bea Fairburn

PARISH STAFF

Pastor - Dennis Hickman

Organist - Betty Kramlich, Youth Director - Vacant

Office Administrator - Christine Rice

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom

and thanksgiving and honor

and power and might

be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal ;they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God,

and worship him day and night within his temple,

and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,

nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,

and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,

and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

PSALM:

Read Responsively

Psalm 34

Fear the LORD, you saints of the Lord; for those who fear the LORD lack nothing. (Ps. 34:9)

I will bless the LORD | at all times;

the praise of God shall ever be | in my mouth.

²I will glory | in the LORD;

let the lowly hear | and rejoice.

³Proclaim with me the greatness | of the LORD;

let us exalt God's | name together.

⁴I sought the LORD, who | answered me

and delivered me from | all my terrors.

⁵Look upon the LORD | and be radiant,

and let not your faces | be ashamed.

⁶I called in my affliction, and | the LORD heard me

and saved me from | all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear the LORD

and de- | livers them.

⁸Taste and see that the | LORD is good;

happy are they who take ref- | uge in God!

⁹Fear the LORD, you saints | of the LORD,

for those who fear the | LORD lack nothing.

¹⁰The lions are in want and | suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing | that is good.

²²O LORD, you redeem the life | of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will | not be punished.

SECOND READING:

1 John 3:1-3

A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

***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. Hal - le - lu - jah.

† **SENDING** †

***BLESSING:**

P Mothering God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***SENDING SONG:** *“For All Your Saints, O Lord”*

ELW #427

***DISMISSAL:**

A Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: *“Intrada for All Saints Day”*

~ Ore

P The Words of Institution

C Amen

***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 #491

***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 We give you thanks, gracious God, that you have again fed us with food beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ. Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of the same Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

***HOLY GOSPEL:**

Matthew 5:1-12

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

C Glory to you, O Lord.

In the beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON:

Pastor Dennis Hickman

HYMN OF THE DAY:

"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

ELW # 424

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.")

OFFERING:

"Who is this Host?"

~ Ore

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

***OFFERTORY:**

"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

ELW # 494 vs 1, 3

For the bread which you have broken, for the wine which you have poured, for the words which you have spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.

With the saints who now adore you, seated at the heav'nly board, may the church still waiting for you keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER:**

A Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. You have set before us these gifts of your good creation. Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us with this rich food and drink, and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world, through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

† **PRAYERS** †

A Gathered with the saints by the river of life and surrounded by the great cloud of their witness, let us pray for the well-being of the church of God, the peace of the whole world, and the welfare of all people.

P God of hope, you keep us united with the faithful departed in the communion of saints. *(Don Morris, Bob Malde, Deloris Anderson, Ann Ringe, Don Childress, Don Wanless.)* Even as they shine in glory, be our comfort in the earthly struggle. We pray in hope,

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.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... 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.