



First Lutheran Church

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Paul's Conversion

Saturday April 21, 2018
5:30pm

Prelude
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Baptism

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Hymn *Thy Holy Wings*

ELW 613

Prayer of the Day

O God, you called Paul to bring the good news of your love to all people. Help us answer your call to be witnesses to the Light of the World, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Reading Acts 9:1-19a pew Bible p. 1002
"The word of the Lord" Response: ***Thanks be to God!***

Gospel Acclamation ***God, Whose Almighty Word*** (v. 1) ELW 673
Gospel Reading Matthew 6:19-24 pew Bible p. 884
Response after the announcement: ***Glory to you, O Lord.***
Response after the reading: ***Praise to you, O Christ.***

Hymn ***Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*** ELW 712

Sermon
Interlude

Prayers of the People
Lord's Prayer (inside back cover of hymnal)

Offering
Offertory ***Take My Life, That I May Be*** (v. 2) ELW 583

Blessing
Closing Song ***I Love to Tell the Story*** ELW 661
Postlude



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Sunday April 22, 2018
8:30am & 10:45am

Call to Worship

My Redeemer Lives

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***I know He rescued my soul, His blood has covered my sin, I believe, I believe;
My shame He's taken away, my pain is healed in His name, I believe, I believe,
I'll raise a banner; my Lord has conquered the grave.***

My Redeemer lives, my Redeemer lives; My Redeemer lives; my Redeemer lives. (repeat verse)

My Redeemer lives, my Redeemer lives; My Redeemer lives; my Redeemer lives.

You lift my burden, I'll rise with you I'm dancing on this mountaintop to see your kingdom come.

My Redeemer lives, my Redeemer lives; My Redeemer lives; my Redeemer lives.

Welcome/Announcements

Faith Chest Presentation (10:45)

G3 Dance

Prayer of the Day

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Opening Song

Wonders of God

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Let's sing about the greatness of the Father,

Let's sing about the glory of His Son;

And the Holy Spirit dwelling among us,

Let's sing about the wonders of God.

Oh let's sing about the wonders of God. Oh let's sing about the wonders of God.

The earth and heaven above, Echo the wonder of His love.

Join the chorus, God is for us, the greatest wonder of all.

Let's sing about the greatness of the Father,

Let's sing about the glory of His Son;

And the Holy Spirit dwelling among us,

Let's sing about the wonders of God.

Oh let's sing about the wonders of God. Oh let's sing about the wonders of God.

Acolyte Installation

Reading

Acts 9:1-19a

"The word of the Lord" Response: ***Thanks be to God!***

pew Bible p. 1002

Gospel Acclamation

Lord Listen to Your Children Praying

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Lord listen to your children praying; Lord send your Spirit in this place;

Lord listen to your children praying; Send us love send us pow'r send us grace.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 6:19-24

pew Bible p. 884

Response after the announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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Hymn

Celebrate the Lord of Love (used by permission 1995 Integrity's Hosanna! Music Ed Kerr/Paul

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**Trade your heavy heart for a heart of Joy. Celebrate what God has done.
Join the song of praise as we gather here. Celebrate the Lord of Love**

**Jesus is our Lord. He is reigning here. We declare His kingdom's come
Darkness has to flee in His holy light. Celebrate the Lord of Love.**

All creation sings, hear the oceans roar. Let the earth proclaim that Christ is Lord. (repeat 1st 2 verses)

Sermon

Hymn

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High (used by permission song #117947 © 1989 Universal Music -

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Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your praises.

I'm so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth to show the way, from the earth to the cross,

My debt to pay, from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;

Lord I lift your name on high. (repeat song)

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (inside back cover of hymnal)

Offering

Resurrecting

Offertory

What Have We to Offer (used by permission 1983 Ray Makeever, CCLI 473052, No. 806722)

**What have we to offer? What have we to share? Coins from the coffer. Hearts filled with care. God will
not falter, if we will dare; Lay it at the altar there. What have we to offer?**

What have we to give? Lives we will live.

Benediction

Closing Song

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**God I'm running for Your heart, I'm running for Your heart
'Til I am a soul on fire, Lord I'm longing for Your ways
I'm waiting for the day When I am a soul on fire ('Til I am a soul on fire)**

**Lord restore the joy I had, I have wandered bring me back
In this darkness lead me through, Until all I see is You yeah**

**Lord let me burn for You again, Let me return to You again
And Lord let me burn for You again, And let me return to You again**

**God I'm running for Your heart, I'm running for Your heart
'Til I am a soul on fire, 'Til I am a soul on fire, 'Til I am a soul on fire**



Announcements

April 21 & 22, 2018

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Mike & Jenifer Klein in honor of Shelby & Luke Klein.

Blessings to Hannah Louise Woodbeck baptized on Saturday. Her parents are Sean & Amber Woodbeck. Sponsors are Chad Peterson and Kayla Grussing.

Blessings to Magnus Hartman receiving his Faith Chest Milestone today. His parents are Justin & Jane Hartman. He was baptized on 4/16/17.

Prayer List: John Doyle, Curt Sorum, Sierra Waege (granddaughter of Dorothy and Harlen Barck), Brian Brandt, Susan Atkinson, Tonya Ormberg, Rob Yant, Pat Leary, Casey Porisch (great nephew of Karl & Shirley Porisch), Lois Dellwo (sister of Linda VanOverbeke), Wes Marks (brother of Roger Marks), Vi Thomasson, Lennis Miller, Brian Gelster Family, Deb Gilbertson, Algene Houtsma (father of Deann Reese) Ron Halgerson at the death of his mom, Janine.

Thank you for serving!	5:30pm	8:30am	10:45am
Acolytes		Ella Cole	Carter Gehrke
Greeters	Kevin & Deann Reese	Chad & Keri Cole	
Ushers		Chad & Keri Cole	Clint & Nikki Gehrke
Lectors		Tyler Sprik	Amme Houseman
Music	Angela Fischer	Praise Team: Jane Hartman, David Landby, Karla Luther, Elizabeth Maxwell, Matt Pedersen, Elly Sprik, Tim Tomasek, John Voit	
Coffee Servers		Doug & Dorothy Krogen	
Video and Projection	Dan Marks	Kevin Kayser Janet Landby	Kevin Kayser Trey Weber
Altar Guild	Lynn Babcock, Tami Dahl, Sharon Miller, Rolly Muller, Sue Versaevel		
Van Driver	Dan Marks		

Sunday April 22

8:30am & 10:45am Worship - G3 dances,
Acolyte Installation
9:30am TLC
10:00am Teacher Appreciation/Feedback

Monday April 23

6:30pm Beginning Experience

Tuesday April 24

9:00am Senior Coffee
10:15am Staff Meets

Wednesday April 25

6:30am Men's Bible Study at Mike's
9:30am Rejoice Bible Study at Boulder
2:30pm TLC
5:15pm Worship
5:45pm Confirmation
5:45pm Light supper - \$2/person
6:30pm AGAPE Concert
8:00pm Senior High Alive

Thursday April 26

5:30pm Bible & Brew

Friday April 27

7:00am Grub Club at HyVee

Saturday April 28

5:30pm Worship

Sunday April 29

8:30am & 10:45am Worship
9:30am Last TLC Sunday
12:00pm Confirmation
Reception/Practice/Pictures

News & Notes

Thank you for dancing at both services today, G3!

Acolyte Installation: There is an installation of new Acolytes during both Worship Services on Sunday, April 22. All new Acolytes will receive their Acolyte cross necklace and Acolyte Stone for the 4th Grade Milestone Celebration.

Hy-Vee Cards are available for purchase between services in the narthex! Proceeds go to the Senior High 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering trip.

"AGAPE" IS AT FIRST LUTHERAN WEDNESDAY APRIL 25TH AT 6:30PM!

"AGAPE" is a hip hop artist who combines dancing, rap and storytelling to spread the message of God's love through Christ.

He will be at the 2018 the ELCA National Youth Gathering in Houston Texas this summer!! Going to Houston? Don't miss this! Come and meet him before the gathering. Get a taste of amazing Christian music! A free will offering will be taken.

Senior Reception for the Class of 2018 and their immediate families: 9AM in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday May 27th. Please remember to RSVP with Tonya! Baccalaureate Worship to follow at the 10:45am Worship Service. Seniors don't forget your stoles (if you have one) and gowns!

PLEASE BRING IN YOUR Wallet Sized SENIOR PICTURES FOR OUR CLASS COMPOSITE!

Seniors applying for the Timm Scholarship, deadline for the application to be turned into the church office is Sunday, April 29.

Confirmation Reception - The Education Committee will host a Confirmation Reception for all First Lutheran Confirmands and their immediate families on **Sunday, April 29 at Noon** in the Fellowship Hall. There will be Pictures and a rehearsal to follow.

Shipwrecked – Rescued by Jesus June 5-8 from 8am-11:15am

At Shipwrecked, kids discover that Jesus rescues them! Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and devour yummy treats and experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures. Kids will also learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with the Sail Away Sendoff that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Family members and friends are encouraged to join in daily for this special time at 11am. Register is online by going to www.1stlutheran.org and clicking on the link. Paper registration forms can be turned into the church office. Please call the church office 532-2429 or email kmarks@iw.net with any questions!

VBS Needs: Below are a few items we need to either borrow or have donated for VBS 2018, which is June 5-8. If you are able to help with any of the following items, please email Kitsi at kmarks@iw.net. Thank You!!

- Baby Pool (1)
- Open Sided Rain Gutters (4)
- 5 Gallon Pails (2-4)
- Sound proof Headphones (3)

We reached our goal! The total pounds for March Pack the Pews was 1302 lbs. and we received \$295 in cash. What this means is: we provided for 2182 total MEALS! Thank you for making this a record high for First Lutheran Pack the Pews. - The Social Ministries Committee- Chris Fischer, Nancy Blanchard, Anna Stensrud, Karen Murphy and Dorothy Krogen

National Day of Prayer will be held May 6th at 7:00pm at Marshall EFree Church, 401 Airport Rd.

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Today's Readings

Acts 9:1-19a

9 Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' ⁵He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do. ⁷The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. ⁸Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. ¹⁰Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, 'Ananias.' He answered, 'Here I am, Lord.' ¹¹The Lord said to him, 'Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, ¹²and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.' ¹³But Ananias answered, 'Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; ¹⁴and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.' ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, 'Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; ¹⁶I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.' ¹⁷So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, 'Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus,

who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, ¹⁹and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

"The word of the Lord"

Response: ***Thanks be to God!***

Matthew 6:19-24

19 'Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ²²'The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light; ²³but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! ²⁴'No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

Response after the announcement:

Glory to you, O Lord.

Response after the reading:

Praise to you, O Christ.