



First Lutheran Church

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New Beginnings

Saturday July 7, 2018

5:30pm

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Hymn

For All the Faithful Women (v. 1, 2, 6, Last)

ELW 419

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, so fill us with your grace that in all things we may accept your holy will, and with Mary, becoming beacons of your good news and grace. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Reading

Micah 5:2-4a

pew Bible p. 849

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

Gospel Acclamation

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

ELW 172

Gospel Reading

Luke 1:26-38

pew Bible p. 933

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

Response after the reading: ***Praise to you, O Christ.***

Hymn

O Little Town of Bethlehem

ELW 279

Sermon

Hymn

What Child Is This

ELW 296

Apostles' Creed (inside back cover of hymnal)

Prayers of the People

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

Offering

Offertory

We Give Thee but Thine Own (v. 1, 4)

ELW 686

Benediction

Sending Hymn

Joy to the World

ELW 267

Postlude



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Sunday July 8, 2018
9:30am

Call to Worship

O Come Let Us Adore Him

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***O come all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant, O come ye O come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him, Born the King of angels***

O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

O come all ye faithful, Come let us adore Him, O come all ye faithful, Come let us adore Him

***Sing choirs of angels, Sing in exultation, Sing all ye citizens of heav'n above
Glory to God, Glory in the highest***

O sing hallelujah, Come let us adore Him, O sing hallelujah, Come let us adore Him

***Yes Lord we greet Thee, Born this happy morning, Jesus to Thee be all glory giv'n
Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing***

***O come all ye faithful, Come let us adore Him, O come all ye faithful
Come let us adore Him, O sing hallelujah, He alone is worthy
O sing hallelujah, He alone is worthy (Repeat)***

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Opening Song

What Child Is This

ELW 296

Reading

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Gospel Acclamation

Away in a Manger (v. 1)

ELW 277

Gospel Reading

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Hymn

O Little Town Of Bethlehem

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***O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep, The silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth, The everlasting Light
The hopes and fears of all the years, Are met in thee tonight***

For Christ is born of Mary, And gathered all above

***While mortals sleep, The angels keep their watch of wondering love
O morning stars together, Proclaim the holy birth
And praises sing to God the King, And peace to men on earth***

***How silently how silently, The wondrous gift is given
So God imparts to human hearts, The blessings of His heaven
No ear may hear His coming, But in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive Him still, The dear Christ enters in***

***Where children pure and happy, Pray to the blessed Child
Where misery cries out to Thee, Son of the mother mild
Where charity stands watching, And faith holds wide the door
The dark night wakes the glory breaks, And Christmas comes once more***

***O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us we pray
Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us today
We hear the Christmas angels, The great glad tidings tell
O come to us abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel***

Sermon

Interlude

Apostles' Creed (inside back cover of hymnal)

Prayers of the People

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

Offering *Mary Did You Know?*

Offertory *Offering*

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***I bring an offering of worship to my King No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing
Jesus may You receive the honor that You're due O Lord I bring an offering to You***

Benediction

Closing Song *Joy To The World (Unspeakable Joy)*

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***Joy to the world the Lord is come, Let earth receive her King
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room, And heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing, And heaven and heaven and nature sing***

***Joy to the world the Savior reigns, Let all their songs employ
While fields and floods rocks hills and plains, Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat repeat the sounding joy***

***Joy unspeakable joy, An overflowing well
No tongue can tell, Joy unspeakable joy
It rises in my soul, Never lets me go***

***He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love
And wonders of His love, And wonders wonders of His love***



Announcements

July 7 & 8, 2018

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Audrey Norris in thankfulness for God's blessings.

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), Vi Thomasson, Lennis Miller, Brian Gelster & Family (deployment), Val Krogstad, David Valentin (son of Jim & Joanne), Barb Kienbaum (sister of Janet Landby), Darlene Newman (sister of Janet Landby), Marilyn Green (sister of Shirley Anderson-Porisch), Jenifer Klein's sister, Carla, Elenore Koosmann (mother of Gary Koosmann), Harrison Koster.

Thank you for serving!	5:30pm	9:30am
Acolytes		Lauren Reaves
Greeters	Carol Purrington Tom & Marlene Nordby	Doug & Dorothy Krogen
Ushers		Terry & Denise Schneekloth
Lectors	Carol Purrington	Denise Schneekloth
Music	Susan Jones	Praise Team: Connie Knott, Doug Krogen, Vicki Lamprecht, Wes Myers, Elly Sprik, Tim Tomasek
Coffee Servers		Doug & Dorothy Krogen
Video and Projection		Kevin Kayser, Janet Landby
Altar Guild	Jo Blomme, Kathy Engler, Emily Konn, Linda Konn, Lori Lerohl	
Van Driver	Dan Marks	

Sunday July 8

9:30am Worship

Monday July 9

1:00pm Quilting

Tuesday July 10

9:00am Senior Coffee

10:15am Staff Meets

Wednesday July 11

9:00am Wild Water West Trip

Friday July 13

12:00pm Office Closes

Saturday July 14

5:30pm Worship - Schueller Baptism

Sunday July 15

9:30am Worship

News & Notes

Hy-Vee Cards will now be available for purchase in the church office! Proceeds go to the 2019 Senior High Mystery Mission Trip.

Just a friendly reminder to be signing up for our exciting summer opportunities:

Shetek Day Camp with First Lutheran and St Stephen: July 23-26, grades K (going into) to 6th grade (completed) hosted at St Stephen this year. Registration form and \$35 needed to sign up. (family cap of \$90) Deadline is Monday July 9th!

Day Play: August 7.....grades 1-2 (completed)

Info was or is being emailed out, is on the bulletin board, and forms are on the website or on the table by the office entrance. Invite your friends to join us!

New First Lutheran Church Directory We need YOU to make our directory complete! To celebrate our church family and strengthen the bond within our congregation, we welcome you to be a part of our upcoming new directory.

A new directory:

- Preserves this special time in the life our church
- Becomes a lasting record of our current membership
- Helps us connect faces with names

We are partnering with Lifetouch for this important project. Lifetouch is providing the directory at no cost to our church. Every family photographed receives a complimentary directory and an 8x10 portrait. You can sign up for photography online at our church website at www.1stlutheran.org or look for our signup table at upcoming services or call our office or call Lifetouch at 1.866.756.0281.

PHOTOGRAPHY DATES: Wednesday, July 18th thru Tuesday, July 24th

PHOTOGRAPHY HOURS:

Weekdays 2PM to 9PM – Saturdays 10AM to 5PM – Sunday 11AM – 6PM

For your convenience, all photography and portrait viewing will take place at our church with NO sitting fee. You will have a variety of poses taken. One pose will be selected for the directory. In addition to your complimentary 8x10, you will have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits on the day of your portrait session. Lifetouch's portrait price lists are available in the church office for those would like them prior to photography. Be sure to take advantage of the opportunity to be professionally photographed. We are looking forward to seeing you in our directory. We are encouraging 100% participation!

Your First Lutheran Outreach Committee

P.S. Your photography session will take about an hour, during which time you will check-in, be photographed and view your portraits.

Women's Summer Bible Study Retreat At Shalom Hill Farm July 25th. We will carpool from the church at 8am returning by 6 pm Cost: \$8.00 for the lunch

Shalom Hill Farm is located on a rolling hillside, overlooking a peaceful valley near Windom. The farm offers many ways in which we can gather for retreat and renewal.

The day will consist of studying the 3 summer bible study lessons from the Women of the ELCA magazine, Gather.

June: Session one- The paradoxes of prayer (1 Samuel 12:16-23)

July/August: Session two- The practices of prayer (Psalm 19:14)

Session Three- The products of prayer (Romans 8:26-28)

Copies of the lessons will be available in the church office or they may be downloaded from the Gather website, gathermagazine.org

The staff at Shalom Hill will lead the 3 lessons throughout the day. There will also be lunch served and a chance to explore the Farm as they share with us this piece of prairie and wooded grove with many of God's creatures, wild and domestic. Watch for a signup sheet in the narthex. Hope you can join us for a relaxing day as we study the importance of prayer in our daily lives.

Seasonal Decorating opportunity Do you enjoy decorating for the holidays? If so, we could use the help of a few staff that would like to co-coordinate the seasonal decorating in the Sanctuary. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

WANTED / GARAGE SALE VENDORS: Want to clean out your closet/garage/and house but don't have a space to hold a garage sale? New Horizons Crisis Center (NHCC) will be hosting a Community Garage Sale Fundraiser. This is a great way for you to declutter and let someone else repurpose those items you don't need or use anymore - - and to support NHCC's mission of advocating, supporting, and empowering victims of crime. Come and join others in your community by renting your own space to host your garage sale! When: Thursday, July 19, which is Crazy Days, 7 am – 7 pm. Where: First Lutheran Church back parking lot. Rent 1 parking space for \$25 or 2 spaces for \$40. For more information and to reserve your space, contact Pam Russell at 507-476-4061, prussell@swmnpic.org. Information and forms are also available on NHCC's website www.newhorizonscrisiscenter.org/events. We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Stuff the Bus donations are being accepted for the month of July in the bin in the Narthex. Suggested donations of new school supplies include: notebooks, markers, colored pencils (12 count), disinfecting wipes, pens, crayons (24 count), pencils, pink erasers, cap erasers, highlighters, glue sticks, glue bottles, folders, rulers, scissors, backpacks, expo markers, hand sanitizer, kleenex.

Today's Readings

Micah 5:2-4a

² But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

³ Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel.

⁴ And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.

"The word of the Lord"

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

Luke 1:26-38

26 In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.' ²⁹But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God.

³¹And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³²He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' ³⁴Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' ³⁵The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. ³⁶And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. ³⁷For nothing will be impossible with God.' ³⁸Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

Response after the announcement:

Glory to you, O Lord.

Response after the reading:

Praise to you, O Christ.

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