



First Lutheran Church

We are believers seeking to invite all into the caring, sharing and growing ways of Christ.

The Almighty's Own Purposes

June 2 & 3, 2018

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

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Hymn

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

ELW 419

Prayer of the Day

Good and gracious God, your mercy is an amazing umbrella of grace. Bless us with your gift of forgiveness that we might all be drawn to live in your love. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Children's Sermon (Sunday)

1st Reading

Joshua 2:1-21

pew Bible p. 192

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

2nd Reading

Hebrews 11:31

pew Bible p. 1099

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

Gospel Acclamation *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah*

ELW 172

Gospel Reading

Matthew 1:2-6a

pew Bible p. 879

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

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

Hymn

Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult

ELW 696

Sermon

Interlude

Apostles' Creed (inside back cover of hymnal)

Prayers of the People

Offering

Offertory

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

ELW 686

Great Thanksgiving

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Holy, Holy, Holy

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The Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer (sung)

Our Father, which 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 debts, As we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever! Amen.

Communion Hymns

Beautiful Savior

ELW 838

Children of the Heavenly Father

ELW 781

Day by Day

ELW 790

Blessing

Closing Song

I Love to Tell the Story

ELW 661

Postlude



Announcements

June 2 & 3, 2018

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Norman & Arlene Schoephoerster in celebration of their 67th wedding anniversary.

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, La Oeltjenbruns, David Valentin (son of Jim & Joanne), Kathy Bloemker at the death of her mom, Beverly Cooper, Barb Kienbaum (Sister of Janet Landby), Darlene Newman (Sister of Janet Landby).

Thank you for serving!	5:30pm	9:30am
Acolytes	Shep Jensen	Annabel Coudron, Morgan Bjella
Greeters	Norm & Arlene Schoephoerster	Andy & Alyssia Coudron Family
Ushers		Pam Russell, Dave Taylor Bob & Corlys Knudson
Lectors	Chris Fischer	Corlys Knudson
Communion Assistants	Kathy Engler	Brian Kruse, Twila Henning, Diane Taylor
Music	Rosie Sorum	Rosie Sorum
Coffee Servers		Brian Kruse
Video and Projection		John Marshall, Dan Marks
Altar Guild	Lori Bell, Ashley Eick, Corlys Knudson, Jan Mann	
Van Driver	Dan Marks	

Sunday June 3

9:30am Worship
10:30am Set up for VBS

Monday June 4

Set up for VBS
No Quilting
6:30pm Beginning Experience

Tuesday June 5

8:00am VBS
9:00am Senior Coffee @ Hardee's
6:00pm Worship & Music Committee
6:30pm Social Ministries Committee

Wednesday June 6

8:00am VBS
5:15pm Women's Board Meeting

Thursday June 7

8:00am VBS
5:30pm VBS Celebration

Friday June 8

8:00am VBS

12:00pm Office Closes

6:00pm Date Night

Saturday June 9

5:30pm Worship

Sunday June 10

9:00am Leave for Klein Ranch

9:30am Worship

10:30am Stewardship Committee

News & Notes

Preaching today is Rev. Dr. Leonard M. Hummel (Ph. D. in Religious and Theological Studies, Boston University), Professor Emeritus of Pastoral Theology at United Lutheran Seminary (Gettysburg/Philadelphia). This past year, his service included being the Visiting Scholar at the Zygon Center for Religion and Science and the Visiting Professor of Religion at Augustana University, Sioux Falls. He served as a hospital chaplain at Fairview-Riverside Medical Center in Minneapolis during the 1980s and was pastor of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Boston during the 1990s. His co-authored book, *Chance, Necessity, Love: An Evolutionary Theology of Cancer* was published by Wipf & Stock in 2017. He is a graduate of Haverford College and Yale Divinity School.

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

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 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!!

- Rowboat (to be borrowed)
- Boat/Inflatable Raft (to be borrowed)
- Paddles (to be borrowed)
- Anchors (to be borrowed)
- CD Players/Docking Stations (to be borrowed)
- Anything beach party themed willing to donate
- Lifesavers (to be borrowed)
- Hy-Vee Gift Card (See Bulletin Board in Narthex)
- Orange life jackets (to be borrowed)

- Large ropes (to be borrowed or donated)

DATE NIGHT TO BE OFFERED TO FAMILIES AT FIRST LUTHERAN Fri, June 8th 6-9pm
First Lutheran Youth and supervising adults are sponsoring our annual "Date Night" just for you! We will watch your kids at the church while you enjoy an evening together on the town. Plenty of help will be here to provide a fun filled evening for your kids! And it's FREE!
Reservation deadline is TODAY June 3. We will stand firm on this deadline date so that our ratio of sitters to kids is perfect. A registration form/waiver will be provided via email or at the church and will be needed by the deadline to hold your spots. Please feed your kids supper before you drop them off. A snack and an evening of faith-filled fun with the older kids and adults will be provided!! Questions? Just ask Tonya!

Hey Grades 6-12 (completed 6th grade) Valleyfair is planned! Yea! Wednesday, June 20 from 9am to 10pm. Cost would be \$40 (this would include the admission ticket and transportation). Invite your friends! Deadline to sign up with the form and the money will be Monday June 18! But I would love it if you signed up earlier ☐ Email and forms were sent out! (Form will also be found on the website). Don't miss out!

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

Monday, June 18th thru Saturday, June 23rd

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.

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

Valleyfair: June 20 - grades 6-12 (completed)

Wild Water West: July 11 - grades 3-6 (completed)

Prison Ministry Day Trip: July 12 - grades 7-adult (must be signed up by June 15)

Shetek Day Camp at St Stephen this year: July 23-26 - grades K (going into) to 6th grade (completed)

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!

First Lutheran Women are collecting shoes for Soles 4 Souls along with white socks and lip balm for the Veterans Home in St Cloud. These in-kind offerings will be brought to the Women of the ELCA SW MN Synodical Convention in St Cloud June 29th and 30th. Soles 4 Souls welcome any type of shoes, new or used including athletic shoes, sandals, dress shoes, work boots, pumps, cleats, dance, flip flops and even shoes who have lost their mates! Drop your shoes in the large shoe box in the narthex. Thank you to the First Lutheran Youth for making our collection box!

First Lutheran will be a donation location for the United Way of Southwest MN Stuff the Bus event. Bins will be in place from late June until the end of July. We will be receiving more information on exact supplies suggested in June but in general any school supplies are welcome. Monetary donations are accepted as well.

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 Tami Dahl at (507) 828-9559 or bdtddahl@gmail.com.

First Lutheran is seeking a fill-in office assistant for occasional hours. Please let a staff member know if you are interested.

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Today's Readings

Joshua 2:1-21

2 Then Joshua son of Nun sent two men secretly from Shittim as spies, saying, 'Go, view the land, especially Jericho.' So they went, and entered the house of a prostitute whose name was Rahab, and spent the night there. ²The king of Jericho was told, 'Some Israelites have come here tonight to search out the land.' ³Then the king of Jericho sent orders to Rahab, 'Bring out the men who have come to you, who entered your house, for they have come only to search out the whole land.' ⁴But the woman took the two men and hid them. Then she said, 'True, the men came to me, but I did not know where they came from.' ⁵And when it was time to close the gate at dark, the men went out. Where the men went I do not know. Pursue them quickly, for you can overtake them.' ⁶She had, however, brought them up to the roof and hidden them with the stalks of flax that she had laid out on the roof. ⁷So the men pursued them on the way to the Jordan as far as the fords. As soon as the pursuers had gone out, the gate was shut.

⁸ Before they went to sleep, she came up to them on the roof ⁹and said to the men: 'I know that the Lord has given you the land, and that dread of you has fallen on us, and that all the inhabitants of the land melt in fear before you. ¹⁰For we have heard how the Lord dried up the water of the Red Sea before you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to the two kings of the Amorites that were beyond the Jordan, to Sihon and Og, whom you utterly destroyed. ¹¹As soon as we heard it, our hearts failed, and there was no courage left in any of us because of you. The Lord your God is indeed God in heaven above and on earth below. ¹²Now then, since I have dealt kindly with you,

swear to me by the Lord that you in turn will deal kindly with my family. Give me a sign of good faith ¹³that you will spare my father and mother, my brothers and sisters, and all who belong to them, and deliver our lives from death.' ¹⁴The men said to her, 'Our life for yours! If you do not tell this business of ours, then we will deal kindly and faithfully with you when the Lord gives us the land.'

¹⁵ Then she let them down by a rope through the window, for her house was on the outer side of the city wall and she resided within the wall itself. ¹⁶She said to them, 'Go towards the hill country, so that the pursuers may not come upon you. Hide yourselves there for three days, until the pursuers have returned; then afterwards you may go on your way.' ¹⁷The men said to her, 'We will be released from this oath that you have made us swear to you ¹⁸if we invade the land and you do not tie this crimson cord in the window through which you let us down, and you do not gather into your house your father and mother, your brothers, and all your family. ¹⁹If any of you go out of the doors of your house into the street, they shall be responsible for their own death, and we shall be innocent; but if a hand is laid upon any who are with you in the house, we shall bear the responsibility for their death. ²⁰But if you tell this business of ours, then we shall be released from this oath that you made us swear to you.' ²¹She said, 'According to your words, so be it.' She sent them away and they departed. Then she tied the crimson cord in the window.

"The word of the Lord"

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

Hebrews 11:31

Today's Readings

³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

“The word of the Lord”

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

Matthew 1:2-6a

2 Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, ³and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, ⁴and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, ⁵and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, ⁶and Jesse the father of King David.

Response after the announcement:

Glory to you, O Lord.

Response after the reading:

Praise to you, O Christ.