



First Lutheran Church

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

Turning Hearts to God

June 30 & July 1, 2018

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Hymn

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

ELW 419

Prayer of the Day

Loving God, we bless you for working your gift of salvation through ordinary people like Elizabeth and Zechariah. As their son, John, turned people's hearts to you, we ask that you would help us do the same. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Children's Sermon (Sunday)

Reading

Psalm 89:1-4

pew Bible p. 534

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

Gospel Acclamation

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

ELW 172

Gospel Reading

Luke 1:5-25, 39-45

pew Bible p. 933

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

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

Hymn

Blessed Be the God of Israel

ELW 250

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

The Lord's Supper

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

This Is My Song

ELW 887

Blessed Assurance

ELW 638

Beautiful Savior

ELW 838

Blessing

Closing Song

Lift Every Voice and Sing

ELW 841

Postlude



Announcements

June 30 & July 1, 2018

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by David & Janet Landby in honor of their 40th 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, 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), Greg Large Family.

Thank you for serving!	5:30pm	9:30am
Acolytes	Salem Frost	Paige Christianson, Jordan Olsen
Greeters	Norm & Arlene Schoephoerster	Chace & Emily Pollock
Ushers		Tom & Marlene Nordby Lisa & Damien Henning
Lectors		John Marshall
Communion Assistants	Barb Sandquist	John Marshall
Music	Rosie Sorum	Rosie Sorum
Coffee Servers		Lisa & Damien Henning
Video and Projection		Kevin Kayser, Janet Landby
Altar Guild	Jo Blomme, Kathy Engler, Emily Konn, Linda Konn, Lori Lerohl	
Van Driver	Dan Marks	

Tuesday July 3

9:00am Senior Coffee

10:15am Staff Meets

6:30pm Social Ministries Committee

Wednesday July 4

Office Closed

Friday July 6

12:00pm Office Closes

Saturday July 7

5:30pm Worship

Sunday July 8

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:

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

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

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

Psalm 89:1-4

¹ I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, for ever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

² I declare that your steadfast love is established for ever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

³ You said, 'I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David:

⁴ "I will establish your descendants for ever, and build your throne for all generations." '

"The word of the Lord"

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

Luke 1:5-25, 39-45

⁵ In the days of King Herod of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah, who belonged to the priestly order of Abijah. His wife was a descendant of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. ⁶Both of them were righteous before God, living blamelessly according to all the commandments and regulations of the Lord. ⁷But they had no children, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were getting on in years.

⁸ Once when he was serving as priest before God and his section was on duty, ⁹he was chosen by lot, according to the custom of the priesthood, to enter the sanctuary of the Lord and offer incense. ¹⁰Now at the time of the incense-offering, the whole assembly of the people was praying outside. ¹¹Then there appeared to him an angel of the Lord, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. ¹²When Zechariah saw him, he was terrified; and fear overwhelmed him. ¹³But the angel said to him, 'Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you will name him John. ¹⁴You will have joy

and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, ¹⁵for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He must never drink wine or strong drink; even before his birth he will be filled with the Holy Spirit. ¹⁶He will turn many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. ¹⁷With the spirit and power of Elijah he will go before him, to turn the hearts of parents to their children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.' ¹⁸Zechariah said to the angel, 'How will I know that this is so? For I am an old man, and my wife is getting on in years.' ¹⁹The angel replied, 'I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. ²⁰But now, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time, you will become mute, unable to speak, until the day these things occur.'

²¹ Meanwhile, the people were waiting for Zechariah, and wondered at his delay in the sanctuary. ²²When he did come out, he could not speak to them, and they realized that he had seen a vision in the sanctuary. He kept motioning to them and remained unable to speak. ²³When his time of service was ended, he went to his home.

²⁴ After those days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she remained in seclusion. She said, ²⁵'This is what the Lord has done for me when he looked favourably on me and took away the disgrace I have endured among my people.'

³⁹ In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴²and exclaimed with a loud cry,

Today's Readings

'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. ⁴⁵And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

Response after the announcement:

Glory to you, O Lord.

Response after the reading:

Praise to you, O Christ.

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