



# First Lutheran Church

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## What Is Truth?

Saturday March 10, 2018

5:30pm

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements/Temple Talk

Hymn                                    **Jesus Shall Reign** (v. 1,3,5)                                    ELW 434

### Prayer of the Day

***Almighty God, as we wrestle with the truth, we trust that your Son lived it. Send your Spirit to cleanse our minds, to strengthen our hearts, and to help us demonstrate the truth of your love for all people. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

Reading                                    Psalm 145:10-13                                    pew Bible p. 569  
"The word of the Lord" Response: ***Thanks be to God!***

Gospel Acclamation                    **Jesus, Remember Me**                                    ELW 616

Gospel Reading                        John 18:28-40                                    pew bible p. 989  
Response after the announcement: ***Glory to you, O Lord.***  
Response after the reading: ***Praise to you, O Christ.***

Hymn                                    **My Lord, What a Morning**                                    ELW 438

Sermon

Hymn                                    **The Church's One Foundation**                                    ELW 654

**Apostles' Creed** (inside back cover of hymnal)

Prayers of the People

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

Offering

Offertory                                    **Take My Life, That I May Be** (v.1, 6)                                    ELW 685

Benediction

Sending Hymn                            **Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand**                                    ELW 441

Postlude



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Sunday March 11, 2018  
8:30am & 10:45am

### Call to Worship

### *Sing for Joy*

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***If we call to Him, He will answer us; if we run to Him, He will run to us;  
If we lift our hands, He will lift us up; Come now, praise His name, all you saints of God.***

***Sing for joy to God, our strength; Sing for joy to God, our strength***

***Draw near to Him, He is here with us; Give Him your love, He's in love with us;  
He will heal our hearts, He will cleanse our hands; if we rend our hearts, He will heal our land.***

***Sing for joy to God, our strength; Sing for joy to God, our strength*** (repeat all)

***Sing for joy to God, our strength; Sing for joy to God, our strength***

Welcome/Announcements/Temple Talk  
Memory Work - 1st & 2nd Graders (8:30)

### Prayer of the Day

***Almighty God, as we wrestle with the truth, we trust that your Son lived it. Send your Spirit to cleanse our minds, to strengthen our hearts, and to help us demonstrate the truth of your love for all people.  
We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

### Opening Song

### *Drawn to the Light*

ELW 593

### Children's Sermon

### Reading

Psalm 145:10-13

pew Bible p. 569

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

### Gospel Acclamation

***The Greatest Thing*** (CCLI Song # 11500 Mark Pendergrass © 1977 Universal Music - Brentwood Benson Songs (Admin. by Brentwood-Benson Music Publishing, Inc.) CCLI License # 473052)

***The greatest thing in all my life is knowing You. The greatest thing in all my life is knowing You.  
I want to know You more, I want to know You more. The greatest thing in all my life is knowing You.***

***The greatest thing in all my life is loving You. The greatest thing in all my life is loving You.  
I want to love You more, I want to love You more. The greatest thing in all my life is loving You.***

***The greatest thing in all my life is serving You. The greatest thing in all my life is serving You.  
I want to serve You more, I want to serve You more. The greatest thing in all my life is serving You .***

### Gospel Reading

John 18:28-40

pew Bible p. 989

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

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

### Hymn

### ***Blessed Be Your Name***

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***Blessed be Your name In the land that is plentiful,  
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.***

**Blessed be Your name When I'm found in the desert place,  
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.**

**Chorus: Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in Lord, still I will say,  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.**

**Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,  
When the world's all as it should be. Blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,  
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name. (Chorus)**

**You give and take away, You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say, Lord blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.**

Sermon

Interlude

**Apostles' Creed** (inside back cover of hymnal)

Prayers of the People

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

Offering *Above All*

**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 (repeat)  
O Lord I bring an offering to You, O Lord I bring an offering to you.***

Benediction

**Closing Song** *They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love*

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***We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord. We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored***

**Chorus: *And they'll know we are Christians By our love by our love  
Yes they'll know we are Christians By our love***

***We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand  
We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land (Chorus)***

***We will work with each other, we will work side by side  
We will work with each other, we will work side by side  
And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride (Chorus)***

***All praise to the Father from whom all things come  
And all praise to Christ Jesus His only Son  
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one (Chorus)***



# Announcements

March 10 & 11, 2018

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Karl & Shirley Porisch in memory of Shirley's mother Dorothy Anderson.

**Prayer List:** John Doyle, Curt Sorum, Kathy Riemer (sister of Bob Schrupp), Sierra Waege (granddaughter of Dorothy and Harlen Barck), Brian Brandt, Susan Atkinson, Tonya Ormberg, Rob Yant, Julie Roby, Pat Leary, Lisa Casey (sister of Lori Lerohl), Casey Porisch (great nephew of Karl & Shirley Porisch), Carol Estebo (mother of Chad Estebo), Lois Dellwo (sister of Linda VanOverbeke), Sean Stucker.

Thank you for serving!	5:30pm	8:30am	10:45am
Acolytes		Bellamy Sukalski	Samara Sumerfelt
Greeters	Gary Koosmann	Anna Hawkinson	Shane & Tara Plante
Ushers		Tom & Marlene Nordby Carole Halverson Rosie Sorum	Dealyn Rose & Chris Cordes
Lectors	Gary Koosmann	Anna Hawkinson	
Music	Susan Jones	Praise Team: Stacey Bosveld, Jim Christianson, Kim Christianson, Doug Krogen, Vicki Lamprecht, Wes Myers	
Coffee Servers		Denise Myhrberg, Sandy Nelson, Sierra Nelson	
Video and Projection	Shelly Maes	Janet Landby John Marshall	Trey Weber John Marshall
Altar Guild	Emily Coequyt, Gail Murphy, Karen Murphy, Tina Nielsen, Pam Odland		
Van Driver	Dan Marks		
Snow Removal	March 5-11: Chad Andreas March 12-18: Mark Jensen, Eric Miller		

## Sunday March 11

Silent Auction Begins

8:30am Worship -1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Gr. Memory

Work

9:30am TLC

10:45am Worship

## Monday March 12

6:30pm Beginning Experience

7:00pm Esther Circle

## Tuesday March 13

9:00am Senior Coffee

12:00pm Executive Committee

6:00pm Education Committee

6:30pm Social Ministries

6:30pm Youth Committee  
7:30pm Church Council

### **Wednesday March 14**

6:00am Deborah Circle  
6:30am Men's Bible Study @ Mike's  
9:00am Hannah/Elizabeth Circle  
2:30pm TLC  
5:00pm G3 (eat as a group @ 5:50)  
5:00pm Lenten Supper  
6:15pm Lenten Worship  
7:00pm Chancel Choir  
7:00pm Faith Chats/Game Changers  
7:00pm Junior High Alive  
8:00pm Senior High Alive

### **Thursday March 15**

5:30pm Bible & Brew

### **Friday March 16**

7:00am Senior High Grub Club  
7:00pm NDSU Choir Concert

### **Saturday March 17**

2:00pm SMSU Recital  
5:30pm Worship- Pack the Pews

### **Sunday March 18**

8:30am Worship - Pack the Pews  
9:30am TLC  
9:45am 3 For Heaven Sake  
10:45am Worship - 3rd & 4th Gr Memory Work  
7:00pm Houston Getting Ready Meeting

## **News & Notes**

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

**Annual Youth Sponsored Lenten Suppers** Help support Youth and Family Ministry at First Lutheran! Enjoy a nice warm meal together as a family. Invite your friends to join you too. Meals are served from 5:00-6:05pm in the Fellowship Hall every Wednesday during Lent. These meals are made and served by the youth as a fundraiser for their programming costs. This is why the price is higher than our "light meals on Wednesdays".  
ADULTS(12--UP) \$6.00, YOUTH(5--11) \$4.00, CHILD(4--UNDER) \$2.00, Family Cap of \$20.00

Wednesday March 14 Baked Potato Bar

Wednesday March 21 Ham and Cheesy Potatoes

THANKS FOR SUPPORTING YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY!!

**SENIOR HIGH'S SILENT AUCTION IS UP AND RUNNING!** Our annual Silent Auction is filled with various items and services for you to bid on. Bidding is open!! Don't miss out! We will finish up on Sunday March 25 (11am) and we will have a brunch to celebrate the close of the bidding and announce whose bids were the top. Items are all in the unfinished basement. Check them out!! Thanks for supporting the youth!! We definitely need you all! Proceeds will go to the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering youth going to Houston.

**The Houston Youth from First Lutheran will be serving at the Pizza Ranch in Marshall on March 26th from 5-8pm!** It is such a fun night out for fellowship with our faith family and friends! Bring yourself! Bring your families! Bring your friends! Bring anyone you can think

of!! Money earned will go toward our trip this coming summer to Houston. Thanks so much for your support! We will get 10% of the meals sold that night during the time we are there and *100% of the donations!!*

**Thank You...**

**First Lutheran Women are indeed grateful** for the annual donation of \$10 given by First Lutheran families to the Funeral Ministry Fund. Because of your annual support, this important ministry continues to provide for families during a difficult time in their lives. After each funeral, family members graciously express their sincere appreciation for this ministry. Envelopes for your 2018 funeral donation of \$10.00 will be available on the center table in the Narthex after March 1, 2018. Checks can be made out to First Lutheran Women with a notation as Funeral Donation. Donation envelopes can be returned to the Church Office or placed in the worship offering plate. **If you have questions about this donation or are interested in working on the funeral committee**, contact Funeral Co-Coordinators Kim Christianson (530-2301) or Shirley Anderson-Porisch (828-1945).

**Easter Garden** – We are going to purchase a variety of colorful plants and lilies to decorate the sanctuary. If you'd like to contribute, please complete the form below and return to the church office, along with \$15 per plant.

All donations and dedications are due in the church office by March 11th.

Given in Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

OR

Given in Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

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# Today's Readings

## Psalm 145:10-13

<sup>10</sup> All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup> They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power,

<sup>12</sup> to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup> Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

"The word of the Lord"

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

## John 18:28-40

28 Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate's headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. <sup>29</sup>So Pilate went out to them and said, 'What accusation do you bring against this man?' <sup>30</sup>They answered, 'If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you.' <sup>31</sup>Pilate said to them, 'Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law.' The Jews replied, 'We are not permitted to put anyone to death.' <sup>32</sup>(This was to fulfil what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.)

33 Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' <sup>35</sup>Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed

you over to me. What have you done?' <sup>36</sup>Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' <sup>37</sup>Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.' <sup>38</sup>Pilate asked him, 'What is truth?'

After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, 'I find no case against him. <sup>39</sup>But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?' <sup>40</sup>They shouted in reply, 'Not this man, but Barabbas!' Now Barabbas was a bandit.

Response after the announcement:

***Glory to you, O Lord.***

Response after the reading:

***Praise to you, O Christ.***