



First Lutheran Church

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

Call of Abraham and Sarah

September 15 & 16, 2018

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements/Temple Talk

Installation

Hymn *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* ELW 858

Confession and Forgiveness p. 94

Kyrie p. 203

Canticle of Praise *Glory be to God* p. 204

Prayer of the Day

Gracious God, we celebrate your promise to Abraham and Sarah that you would bless them to be a blessing to the world. Help us honor that same covenant, that we might also be a blessing to others. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Special Music (Sunday) *We are Singing* arr. Kingsbury

Kindergarten Milestone Presentation (Sunday)

Reading Genesis 12:1-9 pew Bible p. 9

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

Gospel Acclamation *Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil* ELW 512

Gospel Reading Luke 12:48b pew Bible p. 952

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

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

Hymn *Here I Am, Lord* ELW 574

Sermon

Interlude

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

Offering

Offertory *Sing to the Lord of Harvest* (v. 1) ELW 694

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.

Lamb of God p. 208

Communion Hymns *On Eagle's Wings* ELW 787

Day by Day ELW 790

One Bread, One Body ELW 496

Blessing

Closing Song *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* ELW 543

Postlude



Announcements

September 15 & 16, 2018

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Chancel Choir. Congratulations and God's richest blessings to Sara Larson on her installation as lay minister.

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, Brian Gelster & Family (deployment), Val Krogstad, David Valentin (son of Jim & Joanne), Darlene Newman (sister of Janet Landby), Marilyn Green (sister of Shirley Anderson-Porisch), Jenifer Klein's sister, Carla, Judy Benton (mother of Karen Meister), Ken Wilson, Don Ebbinga (father of Mary Mortland), Dave Koster, Vincent & Lucella VanOverbeke (parents of Linda), Bill Bell (at the death of his mom).

Thank you for serving!	5:30pm	8:30am	10:45am
Acolytes	Shep Jensen	Morgan Bjella Aiden Bly	Drew Wajer Avery Fahl
Greeters	Brian & Susan Jones	Eric & Erica Bly	Helen Pedersen
Ushers		Karl & Shirley Porisch Neil & Stacy Frost	Kathy Bartz Clint & Nikki Gehrke
Lectors	Linda Bloom-Scott	Shirley Porisch	Kathy Bartz
Communion Assistants	Kathy Engler	Dave & Diane Taylor Pam Gladis	Linda Bloom-Scott Brian Kruse, Sara Larson
Music	Rosie Sorum	Rosie Sorum Chancel Choir directed by Stephen Kingsbury	
Coffee Servers		Steve & Barb Glaeser	
Video and Projection	Shelly Maes	Kevin Kayser Janet Landby	Kevin Kayser Trey Weber
Altar Guild	Kelly Deutz, Pam Neet, Ann Nielsen, DeAnna Zimmer		
Van Driver	Dan Marks		

Sunday September 16

8:30am & 10:45am Worship - Kindergarten
Milestone
9:30am TLC
9:45am New Member Orientation

Monday September 17

1:00pm Quilting
6:30pm Beginning Experience

Tuesday September 18

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

Wednesday September 19

9:30am Rejoice Bible Study
2:30pm TLC
5:15pm Worship
5:45pm Light Supper - \$2/person
5:45pm Confirmation
6:00pm G3
7:00pm Chancel Choir
7:00pm Faith Chats (HS Girls Bible Study)
7:00pm Game Changers (HS Boys Bible Study)
7:00pm Junior High Alive
7:00pm Little League
7:00pm Women's Bible Study
8:00pm Senior High Alive

Thursday September 20

Parish Visitor Articles Due
5:30pm Bible & Brew

Friday September 21

7:00am Grub Club

Saturday September 22

5:30pm Worship

Sunday September 23

8:30am & 10:45am Worship - Houston
Recap, 9th, 10th & 11th grade
Milestones 9:30am TLC
12:00pm Houston Stockholders Lunch

Monday September 24

6:30pm Beginning Experience

Tuesday September 25

See You At the Poles
9:00am Senior Coffee
10:15am Staff Meets

Wednesday September 26

9:30am Rejoice Bible Study
2:30pm TLC
3:30pm Adopt a Highway (Gr. 7-8)
5:15pm Worship
5:45pm Confirmation
6:00pm G3
7:00pm Chancel Choir
7:00pm Faith Chats/Game Changers
7:00pm Junior High Alive
7:00pm Women's Bible Study
8:00pm Senior High Alive

News & Notes

TODAY at both services: Kindergarten Milestone Celebration

We are inviting all Kindergarten students and their Parents to celebrate the Presentation of the Milestone Bowls and stones that represent milestones that have already taken place in their faith journey! They will be presented with a Milestone Bowl and the following Stones...

Baptism Stone: Symbolizing your Holy Baptism

Learning Stone: Symbolizing receiving knowledge about the word of God and the love of God from your family and congregation

TLC Stone: Symbolizing when you were welcomed to Teaching the Love of Christ

September 23rd ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston Recap Worship! Join the senior high youth and the adults leaders for the 8:30am or 10:45am worship services as we recap the highlights of our faith journey at the ELCA Youth Gathering this summer!

Parent Forum: October 3rd: We will be continuing our parent forums again this school year. Join us at 6:15pm in the Fellowship Hall. A variety of topics to help parents help their teens. October's topic will be on Anxiety and Teens. It takes a village to raise a child and this village (First Lutheran) comes together to learn, pray, and ask questions together!

Shetek's Octoberfest is Oct 19-20 The deadline to sign up is Oct 9th (grades 3-6). Information will be emailed out. Forms can also be found at the church or on the website. Checks payable to "Shetek". Questions? Just ask Tonya.

Junior High!! Be looking for the information about Klein Ranch this next summer!! Yes! Already! (Deadline to sign up will be Wednesday, October 24)

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

Who is sitting next to you in the pew? Pay attention...Do you see a confirmation student taking sermon notes? As part of the Confirmation requirements, we ask the students to take sermon notes. New to this year's form is a space for an adult signature. We want them to talk with an adult about something they found interesting in the sermon, bible passage or worship service. Because these are 7th and 8th graders, they may be apprehensive talking to someone they don't know, but that is the point. It would be great if you could reach out to them as congregational members and offer to talk with them and sign their form. We're not just adding more work to their parents or teachers. We're hoping to create a community of faith surrounding these students, so your effort is appreciated. As an adult, you know how much it means to have positive interactions with a kid – so just imagine how much it means to them!

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.

The Social Ministries Committee here at First Lutheran is taking on a new project to help underprivileged children in other countries. Samaritan's Purse is a world wide Evangelical organization that receives shoe boxes filled with gifts and delivers them to children in need. On the table in the narthex is a handout with more information about this ministry and ideas for gifts to purchase. Suggestions are: doll, stuffed animal, shoes, car toys, other small toys, socks, hair clips, flashlights with batteries, school supplies, toothbrushes, bar soap, and a personal message. Please donate gifts that would be appropriate for 5-8 year olds. Gifts of money can be taken to the church office. Boxes will be packed during God's Work Our Hands day on October 14th. Thank you in advance for helping with this special cause.

A formal meeting of the full First Lutheran Church Foundation membership of First Lutheran Church in Marshall, MN will take place in the Fellowship Hall between services on Sunday, September 30, 2018, for the purpose of voting on proposed changes to the FLC Foundation Bylaws, as developed and approved by the Board. Sweet rolls, juice and coffee will be served with a free-will offering requested to benefit the FLC Youth. The agenda will consist of a short explanation of the proposed changes to the Bylaws, a Q&A session, final voting, and a short informational presentation about the FLC Foundation. Voting ballots will be made available to FLC Foundation members in the church office beginning Sunday, September 16th. Members will be allowed to vote either in person on 9/30/2018, or by written ballot submitted to the First Lutheran Church office anytime between 9/16/2018 and 9/30/2018. All votes will be in writing on pre-printed ballots. Members will be required to write their names on each ballot, to ensure that all votes come from legitimate FLC Foundation members, and that no member votes more than once.

Fall Gathering for Prairie Conference WELCA will be Saturday October 6th 8:30am-noon, at Danebod Church Campus in Tyler. Speaker is Barbara Rechtzigal "My Journey Back to God". Registration is \$10, lunch included.

Guitar Players! The First Lutheran worship team called "Te Deum" (which means "To God") is actively seeking a guitarist. We primarily play music found in the red hymnal, with an emphasis on songs of diverse backgrounds. We lead worship approximately once every 5 weeks. Please contact Connie Knott in person, through the church office, or by phone at 507-859-2766. We would love to have you join us!

Coats for Kids Collection barrels are currently located in the area by the office and in the Narthex. Your help is greatly appreciated in helping to provide area children with warm coats and winter items this year. Barrels will be here at First Lutheran for you to drop off your new or gently used items until October . Distribution dates for coats will be October 22nd 4-8pm and October 23rd 10am-7pm at United Community Action Partnership, Inc.

A First Lutheran "Church Kitchen Remodel" planning event is scheduled for Sunday, September 30, 2018 at 7:00 pm meeting in the church kitchen/fellowship hall. Please come to help with this visionary project of a NEW Kitchen for our church. Everyone is welcome to come with ideas for the purpose and service of the church kitchen in/of the future! Jesus said to his disciples in Matthew, Mark and Luke during the Feeding of the Five Thousand Stories: "YOU GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO EAT" Luke 9:13 "Everyone ate all they wanted. What was left over filled twelve baskets"..Jesus is concerned about eating and extremely extravagant!!

First Lutheran Apparel: Now available online thru Sept 24th New features:

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- Choose design color on original design
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Today's Readings



Call of Abraham

Genesis 12:1-9

12 Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you.

²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and

make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' ⁴ So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran;

the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, 'To your offspring I will give this land.' So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. ⁸From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. ⁹And Abram journeyed on by stages towards the Negeb.

"The word of the Lord"

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

Luke 12:48b

⁴⁸ From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required; and from one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded.

Response after the announcement:

Glory to you, O Lord.

Response after the reading:

Praise to you, O Christ.

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and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, ⁶Abram passed through the land to