



First Lutheran Church

Sunday, June 14, 2026, 8:30am | 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Moses tells the Israelites that they are called to be a priestly kingdom and a holy people. Jesus sends out the disciples as laborers into the harvest. In baptism we too are anointed for ministry, sharing God's compassion with our needy world. From the Lord's table we go forth to proclaim the good news, to heal the sick, and to share our bread with the hungry.



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

GATHERING HYMN | *My Life Flows on in Endless Song* | ELW #763

1. My life flows on in endless song;
above earth's lamentation,
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.

**Refrain: No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?**

2. Through all the tumult and the strife,
I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul.
How can I keep from singing? **Refrain**

3. What though my joys and comforts die?
The Lord my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round?
Songs in the night he giveth. **Refrain**

4. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his!
How can I keep from singing? **Refrain**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Merciful God, **C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out our offenses. Release us from the guilt and shame we carry, and renew a right spirit within us. Teach us your ways, and uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: God of compassion, **C: you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM | *Psalms 100*

R: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

C: Serve the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

R: now that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

C: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him; bless his name.

R: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever and his faithfulness to all generations.

SECOND READING | *Romans 5:1-8*

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

R: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | ELW pg. 205

Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.

Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.

Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL | *Matthew 9:35-9:38*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 9th Chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

³⁵ Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON | Minister Barry Fewson

HYMN OF THE DAY | *Lord, You Give the Great Commission* | ELW #579, vs 1-2, 5

1. Lord, you give the great commission:

"Heal the sick and preach the word."

Lest the church neglect its mission,
and the gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose
with renewed integrity:

**Refrain: With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry.**

2. Lord, you call us to your service:

"In my name baptize and teach."

That the world may trust your promise,
life abundant meant for each,
give us all new fervor, draw us
closer in community: **Refrain**

5. Lord, you bless with words assuring:

"I am with you to the end."

Faith and hope and love restoring,
may we serve as you intend
and, amid the cares that claim us,
hold in mind eternity: **Refrain**

STATEMENT OF FAITH | *Apostle's Creed*

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: Lord in your mercy, **C:** Hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father, who 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SHARING OF PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you. **C:** And also with you.

OFFERING / NOISY OFFERING | *June: TeachHaiti*

OFFERTORY SONG | *Holy, Holy, Holy* | ELW #473

1. Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are holy God. (*Sing 2x*)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Loving God, **C:** receive this offering for the building up of your kingdom: the proclamation of your word and the loving of our neighbor. Amen.

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN | *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve* | vs. 1, 3-4 ELW #551

1. The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim.
3. We go to be the hands of Christ,
to scatter joy like seed
and, all our days, to cherish life,
to do the loving deed.
4. Then let us go to serve in peace,
the gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us;
we go in Jesus' name.

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C:** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT VBS

August 3 & 10 @ 5:30-8pm
Watch for more info, coming soon!

SPECIAL MUSIC

We're always looking for musicians to provide special music during our summer worship services. All ages and groups are welcome. Talk to Karen Bimberg to schedule a Sunday.
karen@firstlutheranchurch.com

THANKS!

*The Women of FLC would like send a huge Thank You to everyone who donated items to the LWR Health Care Kits this spring. They were able to assemble and ship **67 Kits!***

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

June 19 | Juneteenth Holiday
July 3 | Independence Day
July 7 | Staff Development Day

IN THE STEPS OF MARTIN LUTHER

April 12-22, 2027

Join Pr Wade & Holly Dutton next spring, as they travel to Germany to experience firsthand the life & times of Martin Luther. If interested, trip packets are in the church office.

VOLUNTEER BOOTCAMP

July 2 @ 9am -noon or 4-7pm

Are you looking for a way to connect to FLC? Do you want to bless our church community but aren't sure where to start? Join us for our upcoming Sunday Ministry Bootcamp! This quick, hands-on training session will equip you with everything you need to serve with confidence. Whether you are new or need a refresher, your hands and heart are needed. Come find your fit! Food will be served. For more info, or to RSVP, contact Sonny in the office.

HELPING HANDS MINISTRY

The Helping Hands Ministry is looking to restart in 2026! This ministry "...exists to assist the frail, elderly, and disabled of the Detroit Lakes area with routine minor repairs and home maintenance, through recruitment, training, and the sending of First Lutheran members and friends in the spirit of Matthew 25:35 . . . for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me . . . If you would like to become a Helping Hands volunteer and are interested in further information, please contact Paul Weber, 218-849-4354.

SUMMER WORSHIP TIMES

May 24 — August 30

8:30 & 10:30am

Join us this summer for worship! Our 8:30 am service is indoors and will be live streamed, the 10:30am service is outdoors on the lawn. If you are joining us outside, please bring a lawn chair or blanket.

Prayers for God's People

Bill Wegschied, Larry Kjono, Tyler Wilson, Dave & Pam Nustad, Cami Eckhoff, Kathy Larson, Haley & Mel Johnson, Dan Alverson, Jason W., Ruth Olson

Prayers of comfort for those who mourn the loss of a loved one, including the families of Judy Wood

Youth & Family Ministry

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 22-25 @ 9am - 3pm

HIGH SCHOOL PIZZA LUNCH

July 23 @ noon at Woodfire Pizza.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BONFIRE & GAME NIGHT

August 23 @ 6-8pm



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**Thanks for
worshiping with us!**

Lead Pastor Joe Skogmo & Minister Barry Fewson
Music Director: Karen Bimberg

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Then, drop the **green laminated slip** in the offering plate.

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