FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH Northwood, Iowa 641-324-2984 www.flcnorthwood.org

THAT ALL MAY KNOW THE LOVE OF GOD IN JESUS CHRIST



13th Sunday after Pentecost August 22nd, 2021 9:00am

Pastor Becky Sogge Organist/Pianist: Leila Gangstad Lay reader: Sharyl Nestor Sound/Video: Andrew Breitsprecher, Mark Willand Counters: Nancy Amundson, Steph Perkins Altar Guild: LEAH Circle

Prelude

-Leila Gangstad

Welcome – Announcements

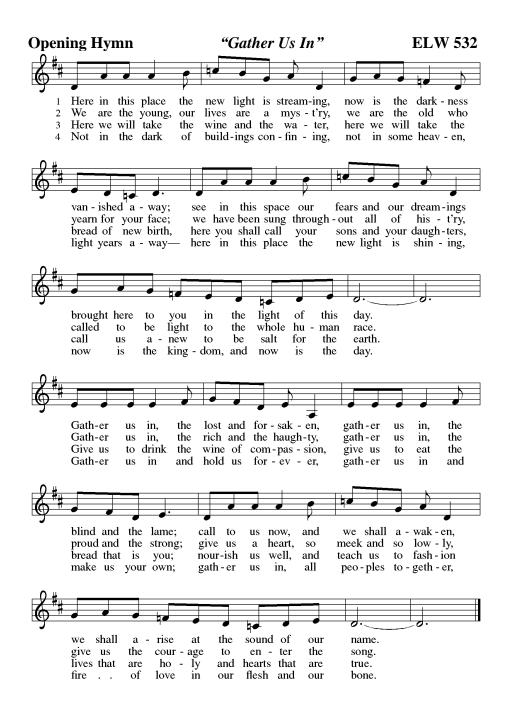
Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.** Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**



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Prayer of the Day

Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 34:15-22

The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and God's ears are open to their cry.

The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to erase the remembrance of them from the earth.

The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them and delivers them from all their troubles.

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves those whose spirits are crushed.

Many are the troubles of the righteous, but the LORD delivers them from every one.

God will keep safe all their bones; not one of them shall be broken.

Evil will bring death to the wicked and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

Second Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20

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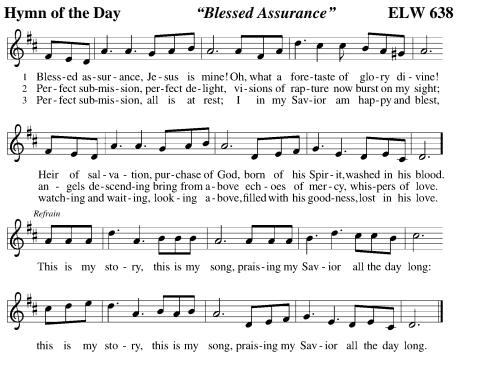
Gospel

The holy gospel according to John 6:56-69. **Glory to you, O Lord.** The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Pastor Becky Sogge



Backpack Blessing

Prayers of Intercession

God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Offering is received in the plates at the entrance of the sanctuary or electronically through Give Plus+

Offering Prayer

Lord's Prayer

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.

Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine" ELW 774



Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Chirst That all may know the love of God in Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

-Leila Gangstad

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<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

Ryan Hulshizer Pipe Organ Recital, August 31st at 12:15pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, 222 6th Ave. S.W. Rochester, MN.

The altar flowers are in celebration of Lauren Severson and Anthony Welty's wedding.

The additional flower arrangement is in memory of Evelyn Urbatsch from her family.

There are two quilts for silent auction in the Narthex. Bidding will go through Sunday, August 29th and all proceeds go towards the "Kitchen Fund".

First Lutheran Church Council and Pastor Becky have decided to move Sunday morning worship outside until further notice due to the rise COVID rates. Please bring your lawn chairs and join us!

Mission Project for July

FLC Youth Fund

Weekly Sunday Attendance and Giving			
Date	<u>Attendance</u>	Giving	
August 15		\$535.00	
August 8	38	\$1,895.00	
August 1	51	\$1,098.00	
July 25	45	\$1,313.00	

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 22	9:00 am 6:30 pm	Worship Service with N.O.* JH. Youth
Tuesday, August 24	11:00 am 7:30 pm	Staff Meeting AA –Al-Anon
Wednesday, August 25	2:00 pm 7:00 pm	Youth SH. Youth
Thursday, August 26	8:30 am 9:00 am 6:30 pm	Quilting Prayer Group Taekwondo
Sunday, August 29	9:00 am 10:00 am 6:30 pm	Worship Service with H.C.* Council Meeting JH. Youth

*H.C. is Holy Communion and N.O. is Noisy Offering