

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Northwood, Iowa

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THAT ALL MAY KNOW THE LOVE OF GOD IN JESUS CHRIST



Seventh Sunday of Easter

June 1st, 2025

9:00 am

Pastor Becky Sogge

Organist/Pianist: Leila Gangstad

Usher: Petznick family, Anderson family

Lay Reader: Carolyn Reeder

Counters: Russ & Delores Knudson, Steph Perkins

Sound/Video: Camden Trenhaile, Mark Willand

Communion Set up: Pat Nelson

Prelude

-Leila Gangstad

Welcome – Announcements

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

In the name of the One who was, who is, and who is to come. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, **make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making.

Baptized into you, O Living One, **make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, **make us one as you are one.**

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn *Crown Him with Many Crowns* ELW 855

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Prayer of the Day

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Children's Sermon

First Reading: Acts 16:16-34

¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." ¹⁸ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰ When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³ After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴ Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹ The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹ They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³² They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴ He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

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

Psalms 97

The LORD reigns; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.

Clouds and darkness surround the LORD, righteousness and justice are the foundations of God's throne.

Fire goes before the LORD, burning up enemies on every side.

Lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth.

The heavens declare your righteousness, O LORD, and all the peoples see your glory.

Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! Bow down before the LORD, all you gods.

Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O LORD.

For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

You who love the LORD, hate evil! God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand of the wicked.

Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the honest of heart.

Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name.

Second Reading: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

¹²“See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. ¹³I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”

¹⁴Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. ¹⁶“It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

¹⁷The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.”

And let everyone who hears say, “Come.”

And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. ²⁰The one who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.”

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! ²¹The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

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Gospel Acclamation... Alleluia

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The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: John 17:20-26

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that

you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

The word of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Becky

Hymn of the Day..... *One Bread, One Body* ELW 496

Nicene Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offering is received in the pews, or electronically through Vanco.

Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

Lamb of God

Blessing and Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn *In Christ There Is No East or West* ELW 650

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

-Leila Gangstad

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome, we are glad you are here!

Join us for coffee in the Fireside Room after worship.

The First Lutheran Senior Choir has acquired new robes. I would like to thank Russ and Dolores Knutson for all the work they did to acquire the new robes. They did the research and found a company to get our new robes. Dolores did all the measuring for each choir member. As chairperson of the Worship Committee, thank you for all you did. - Kimberly Anderson

I would like to thank the FLC congregation and quilters for the gifts I received for graduation. The quilt will look great on my dorm room bed. – Camden Trenhaile

There will be a J.H. Lock in on Sunday, June 1st beginning at 6:00 PM. Permission slips are outside the Youth Room.

DayCamp will take place from Monday, June 9th - Friday, June 13th. Children will meet at FLC at 9:00 AM and get picked up from the Elementary school playground at 11:45 AM. Registration forms are on the table in the Narthex.

Mission Project for June

Northern Lights Homeless Shelter

Electronic Income

<u>April</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
\$3,188	\$12,103

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, June 1	9:00 am	Service with H.C.
	10:30 am	DCV with H.C.
	6:00 pm	J.H. Lock In
Tuesday June 3		Manna Truck
	7:00 pm	AA-Al-Anon Mtng.
Wednesday, June 4	7:00 pm	S.H. Youth
Thursday, June 5	8:30 am	Quilting
	9:00 am	Prayer Group
	6:30 pm	Taekwondo
Sunday, June 8	9:00 am	Service with N.O.
	10:30 am	DCV
	6:30 pm	J.H. Youth

Sunday Attendance and Giving

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Giving</u>
May 25	116	\$1,680
May 18	93	
May 11	101	\$1,324
May 4	104	\$1,462