

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**July 11, 2021**  
**GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER**

**Prelude/Welcome/Announcements**

**Call to worship:**

P: We worship as we live in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: You are the treasured people of the Lord, **C: a people holy to the Lord our God.** P: Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.

**C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.**

P: One does not live by bread alone, **C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.**

**Opening Hymn: No. 732 "Borning Cry"**

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**Confession of Sin:**

P: God of all mercy and consolation come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may be attentive to your Word, that we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. P:  
Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in the newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **C: Amen.**

**Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray.

**C: O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

**First Lesson: Amos 7:7-15**

This is what [the Lord God] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah. earn your bread there. and prophesy there: but never again prophesy at Bethel. for it is

bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' " And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' "

Here ends the first lesson. **C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 85:8-13**

I will listen to what the Lord God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

**C: Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, that your glory may dwell in our land.**

Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

**C: Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.

**C: Righteousness shall go before the Lord and shall prepare for God a pathway.**

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

### **Second Lesson: Ephesians 1:3-14**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual

blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. Here ends the second lesson. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Please stand in honor of the reading of the gospel.

The Holy Gospel is taken from **Mark 6:14-29.**

**C: Glory to you O Lord.**

King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the

rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.  
The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

**Hymn of the Day No. 812 "Faith of Our Fathers"**

**Prayer of the Church**

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

## Mission Moment

### Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray.

**C: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

## GOD'S PEOPLE SENT FORTH

## Benediction

**Sending Hymn No. 671 "Shine, Jesus, Shine"**

### Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Welcome!** Great to have you here! Thank you for choosing to worship with us here today. We practice open Communion at First Lutheran. If you believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine, his body and blood shed for you, you are welcome to our table. Apple juice is available upon request.

### **We Welcome Paul Arthur Fritz into Our Church Family**

Paul is the son of Casey & Lacey Fritz. The Sponsors for Paul are Rebeca & Jayme Trygstad and Cody & Angela Fritz . May God's blessings be upon Paul and may God guide his days and deeds.

**The Worship Radio Broadcast** today is sponsored in loving memory of Howard & Perdita Douty by their son & daughters & each of their families.

✠ **Continuing Prayer Concerns:** Val Carmondy, Janice Harkema, John Dubbelde as they deal with health issues and the family of Linda & Al Hollingsworth on the passing of her brother, Allen Ahlers.

### **Noisy Offering for "Shetek Lutheran Ministries"**

The total amount collected for Shetek Lutheran Ministries was \$427.28. Thank you for your support for "Shetek Lutheran Ministries".

### **This Week's Schedule – July 11, 2021**

**Today** 9:30am Worship/Fritz Baptism at Church and live streamed

**Wednesday** 8:00pm Council meeting

**Sunday** 9:30am Worship/Holy Communion at Church and live streamed

**"Volunteers needed"** to help record during Worship services to stream on Facebook live. Please contact Cristy Appel @ 215.1738.

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***“PICNIC AT THE PARSONAGE”***

***843 6<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Pipestone***

***Join us on Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at 5pm for games fellowship & food on the new deck!***

***(Food served at 6pm)***

***Water, Juice, Plates, Napkins & Silverware & Dari King BBQs provided!***

***\*\*Please bring a dish to share if you are able.***

**CALLING ALL YOUTH**

***The ELCA National Youth Gathering will be held in Minneapolis July 24<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> 2022.***

*This is a great opportunity for worship, Bible Study, Servant events and making new friends and celebrate being part of the church. It is never too early to start planning. If you are interested talk with Pastor Joyce or Erin Musch.*

**We are collecting items for School kits**

Items needed are: One box of 16 or 24 crayons; Four notebooks; One ruler with 30-centimeters & inches; One pencil sharpener; One eraser; One pair of blunt scissors; 5 unsharpened #2 pencils; 5 black or blue ball point pens (no gel ink). ***Please bring them to Church by September 1st .***

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