

"Welcome to Worship"

God is here for you,
In the word and sacraments, in the love
of this community.

Welcome- it's great to have you here!
Thank you for choosing to worship with
us at First Lutheran today.

**Eighth Sunday after
Pentecost
July 14th, 2024
GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER**

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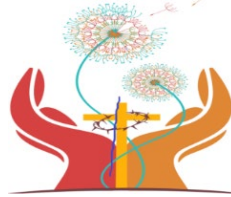
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**Scattering seeds of love,
worship & service**

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship:

L: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

C: Amen.

Opening Hymn: Here I Am to Worship

Confession and Forgiveness

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly
love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one
another. *(a moment of silence for personal reflection)*

L: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you
and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and
humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known
and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to
do. Turn us again to you, 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.

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace
you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power
through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

Gathering

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Hymn of Praise (video) - Come Jesus Come

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray.

**C: Dear Lord, we come to you today to show our gratitude for all that you give us each and every day. From the
overabundance of rain to the beautiful sunshine. For our jobs, homes, family, friends – for all who cross our path
each day. We are grateful for every day that we arise so that we can serve our purpose here on earth by using all of
the abilities and talents that You have given to us so that we can serve others. It is in Your name that we pray,
Amen.**

Hearing God's Word

First Lesson: 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the LORD of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the LORD with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals. So, David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the LORD with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So, David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. As the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart. They brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the LORD. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

Here ends the First Lesson. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 24 (please read responsively)

R: The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.

C: For the LORD has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

R: Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD, and who may stand in God's holy place?

C: Those of innocent hands and purity of heart, who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.

R: They shall receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of their salvation.

C: Such is the generation of those who seek you, O LORD, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

R: Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.

C: Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

R: Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.

C: Who is this King of glory? Truly, the LORD of hosts is the King of glory.

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.**

Children's Time

P: 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 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: This is the Day

Responding to God's Word

Apostle's Creed

Prayers of the Church

L: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer

L: We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

C: Amen

Offering / Offering Hymn: Offering

Offering Prayer:

L: 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

Benediction

L: The God of all grace ♪ bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn: Hear Our Praises

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Welcome! It is GREAT to have you here! Thank you for choosing to worship with us here today.

The Worship Radio Broadcast is sponsored today in celebration of Morgan Taubert’s birthday by her family.

† Continuing Prayer Concerns: We lift up Shelby Evans and her family as her dad continues his battle with cancer. We also pray for Mike & Claressa Kent as they go through pregnancy complications. We continue our healing prayers for JoAnn Straw, Sarah Meyer and Kay Dubbelde. We lift all in prayer to give them strength and peace through these days of trial.

***** If you or someone you know has a Prayer Concern, please call the church office 825-5837 to have it listed in the bulletin and church webpage. You can also email the church office@firstlutheranpipestone.org.**

This Week’s Schedule (July 14th - July 21st)

Today: 9:30am – Worship at the church, w/Mark Carlson & the Worship Team, live-streamed; Radio: 10:30am aired on KLOH (1050 AM)

Monday: Pastor Ann GONE ALL WEEK

Tuesday: Office closed (dr appt)

Wednesday: 12:30pm & 8:00pm- Sunday Service broadcast on Public Access TV (channel 3)

Sunday: 9:30am – Worship at the church, w/Holy Communion, live-streamed; Radio: 10:30am aired on KLOH (1050 AM)

Noisy Offering for JUNE & JULY is being collected for: Pipestone County Hospice

The total amount collected thus far is: **\$205.60.**

THANK YOU for your support of these important Outreach needs.

July2024 Offering	
Monthly Offering needed:	\$21,265.00
Weekly Offering – July 7 th	
Weekly Offering – July 14 th	\$
Weekly Offering – July 21 st	\$
Weekly Offering – July 28 th	\$
TOTAL:	

Needed per week:
4-week month = \$5,316/week
5-week month = \$4,253/week

Extra offering books are available on the table in the narthex. Please feel free to take another book if you are running low!!

Simply Giving is also available online by scanning the QR code in the bulletin.

VISITORS – please feel free to scan the QR code (by Offering above) if you wish to give to First Lutheran today.

THANK YOU for giving!!



A **BIG THANK YOU** to Mark Carlson who is here to worship with us as our guest pastor!!

Mark has been here several times in the past, so we welcome him back again today!!
We are so blessed to have you here with us today, Mark!
THANK YOU from all of us here at First Lutheran!

It's a boy for Laura Thode & Jake Kirlin!!!

Cooper James was born July 9th. He joins brothers, Connor & Keaton and is the grandson of Gayl and the late Jim Thode.
Congratulations to all!!



The Fair will be here in about 17 DAYS! The planning and prepping are already in full swing and almost complete. Now we are in need of workers to help serve our fairgoers! Last year, so many of you stepped in to help where and when you could and we are SO VERY THANKFUL! We can't open the fairstand without workers so please sign-up to help where and when you can – many hands make light work – and make this year better than last! We also have been asked to stay open for the Antique Tractor Pull on Sunday, August 4th so please check out those shift times as well. We have 2 shifts set for that day and we will need help getting it all closed up afterwards.



Stop into the church office for free meal tickets for kids 18 and under, free ice cream cone tickets (kids of ALL ages w/special THANKS to Gorter Clay & Dairy), OR a free slice of pie tickets that are available for pickup in the office (members ONLY). Ride tickets will also be available.

Contact the church office if you have questions.

Get signed up by typing in this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040E4DA4AB2EABF85-50101799-fairstand>

OR by scanning the QR code with your phone. >>>

Sign-up sheets are also available in the Narthex and are updated weekly.

THANK YOU in advance!!!!



Adult Education Tip:

In the Lutheran Church we talk of Martin Luther a great deal of the time, but we must not forget his wife, Katie. She contributed greatly to the early days of the Lutheran Church and many stories have been written about her.

One book I can recommend looking through is the graphic novel, *Katie Luther*, by Susan K, Leigh. It has wonderful drawings of her life and her part in the Reformation. You can get it on cph.org

Thanks, Robert A. Baerenwald (Adult Education Committee)

Support Pipestone County Food Shelf's participation in

15th Annual **OPEN YOUR HEART** TO THE HUNGRY AND HOMELESS **Summer Challenge** July 01 - 31

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH **HUNGER SOLUTIONS** Winning Minnesota's Food Fight | **the food group**

the **Open Your Heart Summer Challenge** aims to boost food shelves in Minnesota when they need it most. During the summer months, food shelf donations are traditionally low and this summer the need is even greater!

The **Summer Challenge** provides a proportional grant to match financial donations made in July to participating Minnesota Food Shelves like Pipestone County Food Shelf! Visit Pipestone County Food Shelf and make a donation today!

Donations of cash or food can be made directly to:
223 2nd St NW • Pipestone, MN 56164 25c

Pipestone Women's Connection cordially invites you to a luncheon at the Christian Reformed Church on Monday, July 15th, 2024. From 12:00pm – 1:30pm
Reservations for lunch and complimentary childcare were due on Thursday, July 11th.
Please call * Rosie: 605-201-6484 * Marian: 507-820-1272 * Susan: 507-920-6675
CANCELLATIONS ARE NECESSARY BY **TODAY**, July 14th.

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