

"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.

**Ninth Sunday after
Pentecost
July 21st, 2024
GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER**

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

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship:

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

C: Amen.

Opening Hymn: ELW #807 – Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Confession and Forgiveness

P: 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.

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

P: 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.**

P: 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

P: 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.

Kyrie: pg 147

Hymn of Praise: pg 149

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

**C: O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of
us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and
Lord. Amen.**

Hearing God's Word

First Lesson: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

The apostles gathered around Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed. Here ends the First Lesson. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 89:20-37 (please read responsively)

R: "I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him.

C: My hand will hold him fast and my arm will make him strong.

R: No enemy shall deceive him, nor shall the wicked bring him down.

C: I will crush his foes before him and strike down those who hate him.

R: My faithfulness and steadfast love are with him, and he shall be victorious through my name.

C: I will set his hand on the sea, and his right hand on the rivers.

R: He will say to me, 'You are my father, my God, and the rock of my salvation.'

C: I will make him my firstborn and higher than the kings of the earth.

R: I will keep my love for him forever, and my covenant will stand firm for him.

C: I will establish his line forever and his throne as the days of heaven."

R: If his children forsake my teaching and do not walk according to my judgments;

C: if they break my statutes and do not keep my commandments;

R: I will punish their transgressions with a rod and their iniquities with the lash;

C: but I will not take my love from him, nor let my faithfulness prove false.

R: I will not break my covenant, nor change what has gone out of my lips.

C: Once for all I have sworn by my holiness: I will not lie to David.

R: His line shall endure forever and his throne as the sun before me;

C: it shall stand fast forevermore like the moon, the abiding witness in the sky."

Second Lesson: Ephesians 2:11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So, he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So, then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

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 **2 Samuel 7:1-14a**

C: Glory to you O Lord.

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you." But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: LBW #446 – Whatever God Ordains Is Right

Responding to God's Word

Apostle's Creed

Prayers of the Church

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer

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

C: Amen

Offering / Offering Hymn: ELW #692 – We Are an Offering

Offering Prayer:

P: Let us pray.

C: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



Service of Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving/Words of Institution

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

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Distribution of the Elements

Communion Hymns: ELW #465 – As the Grains of Wheat

ELW #484 – You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Prayer After Communion

P: Let us pray.

C: O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Benediction

P: The God of all grace ♯ bless you now and forever. C: Amen.

Sending Hymn: ELW #674 – Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

Dismissal

P: 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.

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. Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

The Worship Radio Broadcast is sponsored today in memory of Don & Arlis Werner by Lynette, David, Steve & families.

† Continuing Prayer Concerns: We continue to pray for Shelby Evans' dad as he continues his battle with cancer and for Mike & Claressa Kent and their family after the birth of their baby boy who arrived a little earlier than planned last week and healing prayers for Derek Ilse who is recovering from back surgery.

We continue our healing prayers for JoAnn Straw, Sarah Meyer and Kay Dubbelde.

***** 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 21st - July 28th)

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

Wednesday: 8:15am – Pastor's Prayer; 12:30pm & 8:00pm- Sunday Service broadcast on Public Access TV (channel 3)

Thursday: 9:30am - Quilting

Sunday: 9:30am – Worship at the church, live-streamed; 11:30am – picnic at the church Fairstand; 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!!

GIVING/OFFERING statements are in the Narthex!! Please make sure to grab yours. These are your 6-month statements (or as of 7/13/2024). You will also receive year-end statements about mid-January 2025.

THANK YOU for all that you give!!!



**Join us for a Kick-Off picnic at the Fairstand
after worship on Sunday, July 28th at 11:30am.**

The menu is: burgers, BBQ's, hotdogs, chips, beverages and a slice of pie.

Free-will donations welcome.

The Fair will be here in before we know it! The planning and prepping are pretty much 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)



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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!

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