

***"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.

**Fourth Sunday after  
Pentecost  
June 16<sup>th</sup>, 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 #670 – Build Us Up, Lord**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

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

**C: Amen.**

P: 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 148**

**Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray.

**C: O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that  
we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**



**SPECIAL MUSIC: Faith of Our Father's – sung by Paul Johnson & Pastor Ann**

**Hearing God's Word**

**First Lesson: Mark 4:26-34**

[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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

**Psalm 20 (please read responsively)**

R: May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble, the name of the God of Jacob defend you;

**C: send you help from the sanctuary and strengthen you out of Zion;**

R: may the LORD remember all your offerings and accept your burnt sacrifice;

**C: grant you your heart's desire and prosper all your plans.**

R: We will shout for joy at your victory and unfurl our banners in the name of our God; may the LORD grant all your requests.

**C: Now I know that the LORD gives victory to the anointed one; God will answer out of the holy heaven, gaining victory with a strong right hand.**

R: Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we rely on the name of the LORD our God.

**C: They collapse and fall down, but we will arise and stand upright.**

R: O LORD, give victory to the king and answer us when we call.

**Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17**

So, we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord — for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So, whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore, all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

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 **1 Samuel 15:34-16:13**

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

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day: ELW #772 – Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways**

*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 #744 – Lord Be Glorified**

**Offering 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**

*Benediction*

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

**Sending Hymn: ELW #449 – We Know That Christ Is Raised**

Dismissal

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

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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 honor of Gregg and Nancy Johnson’s anniversary by Gregg & Nancy Johnson.

† Continuing Prayer Concerns: 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](mailto:office@firstlutheranpipestone.org).

This Week’s Schedule (June 16<sup>th</sup> – June 23<sup>rd</sup>)

- Today (Father’s Day): 9:30am – Worship at the church, live-streamed; Farewell gathering for Paul & Carol Johnson following worship; Radio: 10:30am aired on KLOH (1050 AM)
- Tuesday: Lori (out of the office); 9:00am – Pavillion trip (rescheduled from June 5<sup>th</sup>); 10:30am – Bloodmobile in Fellowship Hall;
- Wednesday: Lori (out of the office); 8:15am – Pastor’s Prayer; 6:30pm – Faith & Family Night @Canaries Game in Sioux Falls; 12:30pm & 8:00pm- Sunday Service broadcast on Public Access TV (channel 3)
- Thursday: Lori (out of the office); 1:30pm – Pastor Ann @Food Shelf
- Friday: OFFICE closed (Lori out of town); 5:30pm – Shetek Quilt Auction Preview & Supper
- Saturday: 10:30am – Shetek Quilt Auction
- Sunday: 9:30am – Worship at the church, live-streamed; PM – Pastor Ann at Good Sam & Ridgeview; 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: \$1.88.

**THANK YOU for your support of these important Outreach needs.**

<b>June 2024 Offering</b>	
<b>Monthly Offering needed:</b>	<b>\$21,265.00</b>
Weekly Offering – June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	
Weekly Offering – June 9 <sup>th</sup>	
Weekly Offering – June 16 <sup>th</sup>	\$
Weekly Offering – June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	\$
Weekly Offering – June 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$
<b>TOTAL:</b>	

**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!!

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Please make sure to join us immediately following worship TODAY  
for a fond farewell gathering for

**Paul & Carol Johnson!**

We will miss you so very much but we send you off with many prayers and blessings.  
THANK YOU for all that you have given to First Lutheran!!

Pipestone Women's Connection luncheon at the Christian Reformed Church, Pipestone on  
**Monday, June 17th, 2024.** \$10 (includes tax & tip) \* 12:00 p.m. – 1:30

First time guest tickets are complimentary.

**FEATURE:** Title: The F.R.O.G.S. - Four Really Old Guys Singing

**SPEAKER:** Deb Pedrick, Urbandale, IA

Reservations were due by **Thursday, June 13th.**

**CANCELLATIONS ARE NECESSARY BY TODAY.**

*in loving  
memory*

There will be a Memorial/visitation with the family of Kay Buranen (the Avon lady)  
in the Fireside Room on **Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>** from 5:00 – 7:00pm.



**FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT** with the

**Sioux Falls CANARIES (vs the Chicago Dogs)**

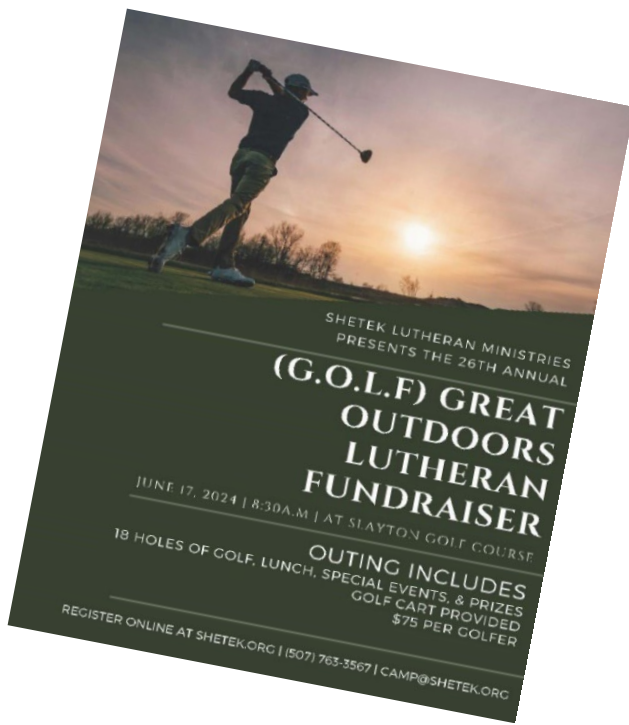
The tickets are all claimed for the Faith & Family Night on  
**Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>** in Sioux Falls. Gates open at 5:35pm and  
game begins at 6:35pm.

**Quilts, Rugs & Cookbooks For Sale**

If you are looking for some beautiful homemade gifts, check  
out the rugs and quilts in the Fellowship Hall. Quilts are \$50  
and rugs are priced on their individual tags. Payments can be  
made to the FLCW and put in the office mailbox.  
We also have church cookbooks available for sale too for \$5!!



**SHETEK**  
LUTHERAN MINISTRIES



Check out the upcoming activities at Shetek Lutheran Ministries in June! More details on our Facebook page and website OR go to [www.shetek.org](http://www.shetek.org) for more details. Email to register at: [camp@shetek.org](mailto:camp@shetek.org)



**SHETEK**  
LUTHERAN MINISTRIES  
Located 8 miles north of Slayton on Hwy. 59  
then 2 miles east on Valhalla Road

**SATURDAY,  
JUNE 22, 2024  
10:30 A.M.  
in the Activity Center**

- Pulled Pork Dinner  
11 a.m. - 1 p.m. \$10/person
- Kids Activities
- Hand-Quilted & Machine-Quilted Quilts

Join us for the  
**5K Pelican Fun Walk/Run**  
Saturday, June 22 • 8:00 a.m.  
\$15/person, \$25/family  
Register online at [shetek.org](http://shetek.org)  
or call SLM at (507) 763-3567



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**Quilt Preview**  
Friday, June 21 • 5:30-8:00 p.m.  
Picnic Supper 5:30-7 p.m. \$8/person  
**Saturday, June 22 • 8:30-10:00 a.m.**  
QUILTS & QUILT ITEMS CAN BE VIEWED ONLINE AT [WWW.SHETEK.ORG](http://WWW.SHETEK.ORG)



**Theme Baskets**  
Available on our Silent Auction!

**NEW THIS YEAR!  
Garden Tour**  
Friday, June 21  
2 - 8 p.m.  
Free Will Donation • 11 Valhalla Dr.



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Justin Van Grootheest, Edgerton, MN • John Croatt, Storden, MN

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**UNABLE TO ATTEND?** **NO WORRIES!** Call or email a bid in ahead of time. (507) 763-3567 or email [camp@shetek.org](mailto:camp@shetek.org). Members of our quilt committee will bid for you on the day of the auction. Bids must be in by June 20, 2024.

