

"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.

**Fifth Sunday after
Pentecost
June 23rd, 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 #870 – We Praise You, O God

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 of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us,
by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior
and Lord. Amen.**

Hearing God's Word

First Lesson: Mark 4:35-41

When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.” And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

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

Psalm 9:9-20 (please read responsively)

R: You, O LORD, will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in time of trouble.

C: Those who know your name will put their trust in you, for you never forsake those who seek you, O LORD.

R: Sing praise to the LORD who dwells in Zion; proclaim to the peoples the things God has done.

C: The avenger of blood will remember them and will not forget the cry of the afflicted.

R: Be gracious to me, O LORD; see the misery I suffer from those who hate me, you that lift me up from the gates of death;

C: so that I may tell of all your praises and rejoice in your salvation in the gates of the city of Zion.

R: The nations have fallen into the pit they dug; in the snare they set, their own foot is caught.

C: The LORD is revealed in acts of justice; the wicked are trapped in the works of their own hands.

R: The nations go down to the grave, all the peoples that forget God.

C: For the needy shall not always be forgotten, nor shall the hope of the poor be taken away.

R: Rise up, O LORD, let not mortals have the upper hand; let the nations be judged before you.

C: Put them in fear, O LORD; let the nations know they are but mortal.

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.” See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

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 17:1a, 4-23, 32-37, 40-51**

C: Glory to you O Lord.

Now the Philistines gathered their armies for battle; they were gathered at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim. And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and

he was armed with a coat of mail; the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. He had greaves of bronze on his legs and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron; and his shield-bearer went before him. He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves and let him come down to me. If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants; but if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." And the Philistine said, "Today I defy the ranks of Israel! Give me a man, that we may fight together." When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid. Now David was the son of an Ephrathite of Bethlehem in Judah, named Jesse, who had eight sons. In the days of Saul, the man was already old and advanced in years. The three eldest sons of Jesse had followed Saul to the battle; the names of his three sons who went to the battle were Eliab the firstborn, and next to him Abinadab, and the third Shammah. David was the youngest; the three eldest followed Saul, but David went back and forth from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Bethlehem. For forty days the Philistine came forward and took his stand, morning and evening. Jesse said to his son David, "Take for your brothers an ephah of this parched grain and these ten loaves and carry them quickly to the camp to your brothers; also take these ten cheeses to the commander of their thousand. See how your brothers fare and bring some token from them." Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines. David rose early in the morning, left the sheep with a keeper, took the provisions, and went as Jesse had commanded him. He came to the encampment as the army was going forth to the battle line, shouting the war cry. Israel and the Philistines drew up for battle, army against army. David left the things in charge of the keeper of the baggage, ran to the ranks, and went and greeted his brothers. As he talked with them, the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, came up out of the ranks of the Philistines, and spoke the same words as before. And David heard him. David said to Saul, "Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine." Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth." But David said to Saul, "Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God." David said, "The LORD, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine." So, Saul said to David, "Go, and may the LORD be with you!" Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine. The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. The Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. The Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field." But David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This very day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this assembly may know that the LORD does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the LORD's and he will give you into our hand." When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground. So, David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, striking down the Philistine and killing him; there was no sword in David's hand. Then David ran and stood over the Philistine; he grasped his sword, drew it out of its sheath, and killed him; then he cut off his head with it. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled.

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ELW #504 – A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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 (vs 1 & 3)



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 j bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn: ELW #767 – Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

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.

The Worship Radio Broadcast is sponsored today in memory of Arthur Finzen by Nancy Finzen.

† 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.**

This Week's Schedule (June 23rd - June 30th)

Today: 9:30am – Worship at the church, live-streamed; 1pm – Pastor @ Good Sam & 2pm @Ridgeview; Radio: 10:30am aired on KLOH (1050 AM)

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

Thursday: 9:30am - Quilting; 5:00-7:00pm – Kay Buranen memorial/visitation in Fireside Room

Saturday: 10:30am – Watertower Parade; 1:00-4:00pm – Burnett Bridal shower in Fellowship Hall

Sunday: 9:30am – Worship at the church, 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: **\$27.88.**

THANK YOU for your support of these important Outreach needs.

| June 2024 Offering | |
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| Monthly Offering needed: | \$21,265.00 |
| Weekly Offering – June 2 nd | |
| Weekly Offering – June 9 th | |
| Weekly Offering – June 16 th | |
| Weekly Offering – June 23 rd | \$ |
| Weekly Offering – June 30 th | \$ |
| | TOTAL: |
| Difference from needed monthly>> | |

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!!

*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 27th from 5:00 – 7:00pm.



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!!



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