

"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.

22nd Sunday after Pentecost Reformation Sunday October 29th, 2023 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 Hymn #665 –
Rise, Shine You People**

Confession and Forgiveness

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

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of
your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone.
Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may
confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into
the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot
free ourselves. We have sinned against you in**

**thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not
loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of
your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may
delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all
our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore
declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of
the Holy Spirit.

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 138

Hymn of Praise: pg 140

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

C: Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Hearing God's Word

First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

Psalms 46 (please read responsively)

R: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

C: Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

R: though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

C: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

R: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

C: The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

R: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

C: Come now, regard the works of the LORD, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

R: behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

C: "Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

R: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Second Lesson: Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

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

Children's Sermon

P: Please stand in honor of the reading of the gospel.

The **Holy Gospel** is taken from **John** (John 8:31-36)

C: Glory to you O Lord.

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So, if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ELW Hymn #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: Gracious God, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your unending love and amazing grace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offering / Offering Hymn: ELW Hymn #691 – Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring

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.

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 Hymn #779 – Amazing Grace**
 ELW Hymn #487 – What Feast of Love

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 Hymn #729 – The Church of Christ, in Every Age

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 honor of Al Hollingsworth's birthday, Mick & Chris and Arvid & Shelly's anniversaries by Al and Linda Hollingsworth.

† Continuing Prayer Concerns: We continue prayers for Erin (Hellie) Schroeder, Gail Brockberg, LaVonne Lorang and Jan Harkema.

***** 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 (October 29th – November 5th)

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

Tuesday: Halloween

Wednesday: 6:15pm – L.I.F.T./Confirmation; 7:00pm – Church committee meetings; 12:00pm & 3:00pm- Sunday Service broadcast on Public Access TV (channel 3)

Saturday: 4:00pm – Jameson Cazwell Carpenter baptism, **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS (turn your clocks BACK 1 hour)**

Sunday (All Saints Day): 9:30am – Worship w/Holy Communion at the church, live-streamed; Pastor Ann at Good Sam (1pm) & Ridgeview (2pm).

October 2023 Offering

Monthly Income Needed to Operate>>	\$17,800.00
Weekly Offering – October 1st	
Weekly Offering – October 8th	
Weekly Offering – October 15th	
Weekly Offering – October 22nd	

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 barcodes on the yellow pew tags or signs in the Narthex.

Noisy Offering for October is being collected for: Lutheran Disaster Response

The total amount collected was: **\$39.36**

Thank you for your support of these important Outreach needs.

Mark your calendars:



It's Meatball Time Again!!

**First Lutheran Church
MEATBALL SUPPER
Tuesday, Nov 14th, 2023**
(Snow date – November 16th, 2023)

Take Outs: 4:30 - 7 PM
Dine In: 5:00 - 7 PM
(or until all are served)

MENU:
Meatballs & gravy, mashed potatoes,
cole-slaw, applesauce, rolls, coffee, milk & ice cream

Advance tickets are available from the Church Office, or at
the door on the day of the event.

► ADULTS - \$12.00 ► 7-12 YEARS - \$8.00
► 6 YEARS & under - Free

Dine-in, Carry-out &
Home Delivery to Shut-ins & Disabled ONLY!



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<<<Tuesday, November 14th

Annual Meatball Supper info has been sent out. Please contact
the church office or Mark Zinnel if you did NOT receive anything
in the mail.

Sunday, November 19th




Do you like soup/potlucks?
Games? Socializing?

THEN WE HAVE THE EVENT
FOR YOU!

Sign up to bring a dish to pass
at this link or scan the QR code!
Congregation: Faith, Fun and Fare
(signupgenius.com)

Faith, Fun, and Fare
November 19
right after worship (~10:45am)

All ages invited!
Bring a friend!

Bring a favorite game if you'd like;
a variety will be provided!



What: Community Thanksgiving Service
Where: First Lutheran Church - Pipestone
When: Sunday, November 19th @7:00pm
**Coffee and treats will be provided
following the service.**



****Sunday, December**

@5pm - Shetek Lutheran Ministries Scandinavian Dinner**

3rd, 2023

All you can eat buffet for \$20 with Lutefisk, meatballs, lefse & more!!

Advanced paid registrations are needed by **November 27th**. Here's how you can register:

~Go to www.shetek.org

~email: camp@shetek.org

~call: 507-763-3657



F.L.C.W Fundraiser

Are you looking for some Christmas gifts, birthday gifts, shower or wedding gifts? Well, check out the stuff at

'That's My Pan' website for the FLCW fundraiser. You can browse the products, change the colors, etc. and you can see what it will look like. It is all online but if you need some help, you can stop into the church office or contact Kristy Henriksen for assistance! It's pretty cool so check it out!!!!!!

Go to: www.thatsmypan.biz/flcw OR scan the QR code.



We now have a space in the Fireside Room (in addition to the Kids Corner in the Narthex) for the little ones in our congregation. We have books and toys for them to enjoy whenever needed. There are even some books for our older 'kids' so make sure to check it out!!!



**Don't forget to turn your clocks back on
Saturday Night (Nov. 4th)!!!**

**THANK YOU to all who helped to serve at The Banquet on Wednesday!
We served 141 meals.**

Important Upcoming Dates & Events for Children & Youth in November:

Wednesday, November 1st: 6:15pm LIFT / Confirmation

Sunday, November 5th: All-Saints Sunday

Wednesday, November 8th: 6:15pm LIFT / Confirmation

Sunday, November 12th: L.I.F.T. sings

Join us for Fellowship in the Narthex following worship!! If you would like to bring goodies to pass or to help serve, sign-up sheets are in the Narthex also!



*We are always in need of Readers and Communion Assistants, if you are interested, please sign up on the clipboard in the Narthex or contact Lori in the office!
Your help is GREATLY appreciated!!*

Pipestone County Hospice will be holding a 6-week adult grief support group from October 10th to November 14th at the Pipestone County Hospice House. Grief support groups allow individuals mourning the loss of a loved one the chance to come together in a safe environment to discuss their experiences. Mourners are given a space to share his/her thoughts and emotions. The group will discover coping skills, discuss identity changes and find support. Meetings will be on Tuesdays from 10:00am – 11:00am at the Pipestone County Hospice House.



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. ***We just received a few more rugs so check them out. We won't be getting more until AFTER Christmas!!*** Payments can be made to the FLCW and put in the office mailbox.

We also have church cookbooks available for sale too for \$5!!



CHURCH DIRECTORY

If you have any pictures of church events that you have taken and that you would like to share and have put in the church directory, please bring them by the church office, send them via email or you can bring them in on a USB. This has been a one-person project so any pictures you have to share would be GREATLY appreciated!!



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST A PRINTED COPY OF THE CHURCH DIRECTORY, PLEASE

CONTACT Lori IN THE CHURCH OFFICE BY PHONE OR BY LEAVING A MESSAGE IN THE OFFERING PLATE.

I hope to have printed directories done by December. Thank You!!

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Daily Inspiration:

Remember that I can fit everything into a pattern for good, including the things you wish were different. Start with where you are at this point in time and space, accepting that this is where I intend you to be.

"We are assured and know that...all things work together and are {fitting into a plan} for good...for those who love God and are called according to {His} design and purpose."

~Romans 8:28